

Health Select Committee

A meeting of Health Select Committee was held on Monday, 16th October, 2006.

Present: Cllr Mrs M B Womphrey (Chairman) Cllr Mrs J L Apedaile, Cllr C Coombs, Cllr K Dixon, Cllr D Harrington, Cllr Miss B Inman, Cllr K Lupton, Cllr J M Roberts, Cllr Mrs B Robinson, Cllr A B L Sherris, Cllr N Teasdale.

Officers: G Birtle, Miss F Shayler, Mrs J Trainer (LD).

Also in attendance: None

Apologies: were submitted on behalf of Councillors Baker and Mrs Nesbitt.

716 Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th September, 2006.

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th September 2006 were agreed as a correct record.

717 Review of NHS Dental Provision

Members gave consideration to the Final Report for the Review of NHS Dental Provision, prior to its submission to Executive Scrutiny Committee on 24th October, 2006 and Cabinet on 2nd November 2006. The report had been commented upon by Ms Shah (Consultant in Public Dental Health) who had provided assistance and advice to Members throughout this review.

Members made some minor changes and additions to the report and the Scrutiny Officer would make the appropriate inclusions prior to submitting the report to Executive Scrutiny and Cabinet.

Concluded that the final report be submitted to Executive Scrutiny on 24th October and Cabinet on 2nd November 2006.

718 Review of Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)

Members gave consideration to undertaking a review of CAMHS but felt that due to an update by Officers on the current changes taking place with regard to this service that it was not an appropriate review to undertake at present.

Concluded that the Committee do not undertake a review of CAMHS at this time.

719 Annual Health Check

Members were informed by the Scrutiny Officer that the Healthcare Commission would be amending their processes. Health Select Committees will continue to have an input in this process. Regional Managers can meet with Health Select Committees to provide information and advise on how to make an appropriate response which would be required by May 2007.

Concluded that the Scrutiny Officer contact the Regional Manager (Healthcare Commission) to make representations to the Committee.

720 Work Programme 2006/07

The Chairman had recently met with Mr Ian Dalton (Chief Executive, North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Trust) who had offered to hold a visit for the Health Select Committee around North Tees Hospital and hold a subsequent discussion on funding and recent changes that had taken place at the Hospital. Members were interested in taking Mr Dalton up on his offer and also stated that they would like to speak to the Health Trade Unions as well as undertaking a visit to Lawson Street Medical Centre.

Concluded that the Scrutiny Officer contact Mr Dalton and arrange a suitable date to visit North Tees Hospital.