

## Health Select Committee

A meeting of Health Select Committee was held on Monday, 28th July, 2008.

**Present:** Cllr Mrs Ann Cains (Chairman), Cllr Jim Beall, Cllr Julia Cherrett, Cllr Gareth Dadd, Cllr John Blackie (North Yorkshire County Council).

**Officers:** Graham Birtle, Fiona Shayler (LD).

**Also in attendance:** Cllr Michael Womphrey and Ann Pearce (Member of the Public).

**Apologies:** were submitted on behalf of Cllr Paul Baker, Cllr Aidan Cockerill, Cllr Kevin Faulks, Cllr Mrs Nesbitt, Cllr Andrew Sherris, Cllr Mrs Sylvia Walmsley, Cllr David Heather (North Yorkshire County Council).

### **H       Declarations of Interest**

**35/08**

None

### **H       Draft Minutes - 14th July**

**36/08**

The draft minutes of 14th July were agreed as a correct record.

### **H       Draft Minutes - 21st July**

**37/08**

The draft minutes of 21st July were agreed as a correct record.

### **H       Momentum: Pathways to Healthcare - Consultation Review - Update**

**38/08**

Members were informed that no response from the Unions or the North East Ambulance had been received. Therefore, today's meeting would be to discuss the evidence received so far and for Members to consider their draft response regarding the Momentum consultation documents and questionnaire.

The final meeting for evidence gathering would be held on 4th August, Neil Schneider, Mike Robinson and Peter Scott (Director of Regeneration and Planning Services, Hartlepool Borough Council) would be in attendance. Members of the Momentum Team would also be attending to answer any further queries.

Members looked through the consultation documents and highlighted a number of points that they would wish to be included within their response to the Momentum Team.

Members discussed the information received at the Summit meetings and requested that a copy of this be distributed to other Members of the Committee.

Members were concerned at the lack of clarity on the services that would be provided in the future within the Integrated Care Centres and in the new hospital. Members from North Yorkshire County Council were concerned about the effects on the Northallerton Friarage Hospital and James Cook.

Discussion was also held on the possible sites and it was felt that a greater choice should have been provided. Members requested that further information be provided on the site selection by the Momentum Team at the

next meeting.

Councillor Blackie had noticed that a question within the consultation document had not been included within the actual questionnaire, and would raise this with the Momentum Team at the next meeting.

Members also had concerns regarding the wellbeing of employees especially those who were lower wage earners and the effects on those who would have to travel to the new hospital site who may not have their own transport.

CONCLUDED that the comments be noted.

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**39/08**      **North Tees Health Centre Development**

Members were provided with the draft response to the North Tees Health Centre Development. The Scrutiny Officer would circulate the document to Members not present at today's meeting as well as the Cabinet Member and Corporate Director.

CONCLUDED that the draft response be endorsed subject to further comments.

**H**  
**40/08**      **Work Programme**

Members considered their forthcoming work programme.

CONCLUDED that the Work Programme be noted.

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**41/08**      **Chairman's Update**

A meeting of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee was due to be held on Friday 1st August to discuss their response to the Secretary of State regarding the North East Ambulance Call Centre proposals.

Councillor Beall had attended a meeting regarding the LINK where a presentation had been received by the Shaw Trust. It was anticipated that an all Member Seminar would be held in the near future by the Shaw Trust.

CONCLUDED that the Chairman's update be noted.