

ARTICLE NO: 1A

CORPORATE & ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

**MEMBERS UPDATE 2014/15** 

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Article of: Borough Solicitor

Relevant Managing Director: Managing Director (People and Places)

Relevant Portfolio Holder: Councillor Sudworth

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SUBJECT: MINUTES OF LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S HEALTH SCRUTINY

COMMITTEE

Wards affected: Borough wide

# 1.0 PURPOSE OF ARTICLE

**1.1** To keep Members apprised of developments in relation to Health Overview and Scrutiny in Lancashire.

#### 2.0 BACKGROUND AND CURRENT POSITION

- 2.1 The Health and Social Care Act (2001), subsequently superseded by the National Health Service Act 2006 and the Health and Social Care Act 2012, extended the powers of Overview and Scrutiny Committees of local authorities responsible for social services functions to include the power to review and scrutinise matters relating to the health service in their areas.
- 2.2 The Health Scrutiny Committee at Lancashire County Council exercises the statutory functions of a health overview and scrutiny committee. The Membership of the Committee includes twelve non-voting Co-opted district council Members, West Lancashire's representative is Councillor Mrs Stephenson.
- 2.3 To ensure that Members receive regular updates on the work being undertaken by the Committee and to provide an opportunity to feed back

any comments via the Council's representative, a copy of the County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee minutes are attached.

#### 3.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no significant sustainability impacts associated with this update.

### 4.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no financial and resource implications associated with this item except the Officer time in compiling this update.

# **Background Documents**

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D (5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this report.

# **Equality Impact Assessment**

The decision does not have any direct impact on members of the public, employees, elected members and/or stakeholders. Therefore no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

# **Appendices**

Minutes of the Health Scrutiny Committee

- 1. 4 March 2014
- 2. 22 April 2014