

## Agenda Item No. 8

### Update from Individual Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees

#### ***Great Western Ambulance Joint Health Scrutiny Committee*** **11<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

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#### **Purpose**

To enable individual Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees to advise the Joint Committee of any work they are undertaking in relation to ambulance services and the outcomes of such work.

#### **Recommendation**

The Great Western Ambulance Joint Health Scrutiny Committee is requested to:

**Note the written and verbal updates provided by Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees and determine whether the Joint Committee requires any further action.**

### **1.0 Reasons**

- 1.1 Recommendation 5 of the Great Western Ambulance Joint Health Scrutiny Committee's *"Review of the Operation of the Great Western Ambulance Joint Health Scrutiny Committee, February - October 2008"* required that a standing agenda item be included at each meeting of the Joint Committee to enable individual Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees (HOSCs) to provide an update on any work they are undertaking in relation to ambulance services and the outcomes of such work.

### **2.0 Detail**

- 2.1 The rationale for this recommendation was to ensure that the Joint Committee was kept informed of any local work that is being carried out by individual HOSCs. This will enable the Joint Committee to identify any issues that may benefit from its involvement and will reduce the likelihood of duplication of work occurring between the Joint Committee and individual HOSCs.
- 2.2 Submissions from those local authority HOSCs which are undertaking any such work are included in the appendices to this report for the information of Members.

- 2.3 Members from each local authority HOSC may also wish to provide the Joint Committee with a verbal update.
- 2.4 Members are requested to consider the updates provided by HOSCs and determine whether any further action is required by the Joint Committee in relation to any of the issues raised.

### **3.0 Background Papers and Appendices**

#### *Appendices*

Appendix 1 – Update from Wiltshire Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee

## Appendix 1

### **Wiltshire Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee (HASC): Update to 11th June Joint Scrutiny Committee - Activity in relation to GWAS:**

1. **Periodical meetings** are arranged with representatives from GWAS, NHS Wiltshire and the HASC to consider Wiltshire locality issues. The purpose of these meetings is to review performance and action plans, and to offer assistance where appropriate.

We have met on two occasions since the last Committee:

- a. 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010.  
Ideas from this meeting included exploring how the GWAS might engage with the NHS Fairs, ensuring key contacts in the Council, NHS Wiltshire and GWAS were put in touch with each other.
- b. 21 May 2010  
This meeting focussed on nominating which CFR schemes in the Kennet Area we would actively promote (in liaison with GWAS and NHS Wiltshire). This was an action point from the Rural Response Times Task Group.

### **2. Local liaison with GWAS CFR Managers (recommendation by Rural Task Group)**

Cllr Ridout and Cllr Jane Burton met with Jessica Burston (Wiltshire Locality Manager) on 19<sup>th</sup> March.