

Agenda Item No. 9

Update from Individual Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees

Great Western Ambulance Joint Health Scrutiny Committee
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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:

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

NB. There are no written updates attached to this report, however members of the Committee may wish to provide a verbal update if they so wish.

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

There are none.