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HEALTH SCRUTINY SELECT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Select Committee will be held at **10.30 a.m.** on **Monday, 31st January 2005** in **Committee Room 3** at **County Hall, Chichester.**

Mike Kendall
County Secretary

Coffee will be served in the Committee Room prior to the meeting.
Lunch will be served in the Committee Room after the meeting.

AGENDA

Indicative Timetable

Agenda Items 1-4	10.30 a.m. – 10.35 a.m.
Agenda Item 5	10.35 a.m. – 11.35 a.m.
Agenda Item 6	11.35 a.m. – 11.45 a.m.
Agenda Item 7	11.45 a.m. – 12.05 p.m.
Agenda Item 8	12.05 p.m. – 12.15 p.m.
Agenda Item 9	12.15 p.m. – 12.25 p.m.
Agenda Item 10	12.25 p.m. – 12.30 p.m.

1. Membership of the Committee

At the last meeting of the Committee, it was agreed that the Sussex Ambulance Service NHS Trust should be consulted on whether a non-voting place should be included on the Committee for a non-Executive Director of the Trust. The Trust has indicated that it does not wish to accept a place on the Committee at present.

2. Declaration of Interests

Members and officers are invited to make any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda and are reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the meeting if it then becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is to be considered. (If guidance is required, please contact the Secretariat in advance of the meeting.)

3. Minutes

To confirm the [minutes](#) of the meeting of the Select Committee held on 6th December 2004 – herewith.

4. **Urgent Matters**

Items not on the agenda which the Chairman of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances. Should there be any urgent items, the Chairman will advise of the place in the agenda at which those items will be considered.

5. **NHS Continuing Health Care**

[Report](#) by the Director for Social and Caring Services and Head of Commissioning – herewith.

A Director from the Surrey and Sussex Strategic Health Authority (SHA) will give an update on the current position. Steve Phoenix, Chief Executive, Adur, Arun and Worthing PCT, will be in attendance, as the Chief Executive of the host PCT for the Continuing Health Care Team. John Dixon, Director for Social and Caring Services will also be in attendance.

The Committee is asked to note the report and to consider the response from the SHA to the questions raised in appendix A.

6. **Criteria for Defining 'Substantial Variations to Health Services'**

Report by the County Secretary and Head of Secretariat – herewith.

The Committee approved draft [criteria](#) at its meeting on 11th October 2004. The report makes final proposals following consultation with local NHS bodies.

The Committee is asked to approve the draft criteria.

7. **Public Health White Paper – 'Choosing Health: making health choices easier'**

Report by the County Secretary and Head of Secretariat – herewith.

The report outlines the key features of the White Paper which was published in December 2004. Dr. Imogen Stephens, Director of Public Health, Westerns Sussex PCT will give a brief presentation on the implications of the White Paper for West Sussex.

The Committee is asked to note the report and to approve a recommendation that local NHS bodies be invited to attend the Committee in later in the year to outline their plans arising from the White Paper.

8. **Relocation of Ophthalmology Services from Worthing Hospital to Southlands and St. Richard's Hospitals - Progress Report**

Report by the Director of Service Development and Strategy, Worthing and Southlands Hospitals NHS Trust – herewith.

On 5th July 2004 the Committee received the report of a Sub Group examining the relocation and supported the proposed relocation. The report advises of [progress](#) on the proposed relocation.

The Committee is asked to note the report and to consider whether to request a further report in June 2006.

9. **Clearing House Group**

Report by the Clearing House Group – herewith.

The [Clearing House Group](#) met on 7th January 2005. The Chairman will report on this meeting which discussed:

- Public Health White Paper
- Future Support for Patient and Public Involvement Forums
- Crawley Service and Estate Capacity Enhancement Programme (SECEP)
- Flu Vaccinations for Care Workers
- Care Homes
- Care for patients with long term medical conditions

The Committee is asked to consider the Group's recommendations contained in the report.

10. **Dates of Future Meetings**

The next scheduled meeting of the Committee will be held on 7th March 2005 at 10.30 a.m. The agenda for that meeting may include:

- Childhood Obesity Task Force final report
- NHS Dentistry Task Force report
- Crawley Service and Estate Capacity Enhancement Programme
- Pan-Sussex Mental Health Collaboration Project

Individual members may refer a matter to the Committee, but any person (or body) wishing to do so must give not less than 10 working days notice of the item before the meeting in question. For the meeting on 7th March 2005, the Head of Secretariat should be advised of items by 21st February 2005.

Members are invited to join the Chairman on a visit to the new Chichester Treatment Centre at St. Richard's Hospital, Chichester at 2.00 p.m. on Friday 18th February 2005.

To all Members of the Health Scrutiny Select Committee