REPORT FOR: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting:	27 May 2010
Subject:	Terms of Reference for the Proposed Health Sub-Committee
Responsible Officer:	Hugh Peart – Director of Legal and Governance Services
Exempt:	No
Enclosures:	Terms of Reference for the Health Sub-Committee

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

It is proposed that consideration be given to the establishment of a Health Sub-Committee under the Overview & Scrutiny Committee. Such a subcommittee would have specific responsibility for health functions, services and consultations.

It is anticipated that the creation of such a sub-committee will allow a more focussed consideration of health items, allowing the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to concentrate on its strategic, overarching role with regard to scrutiny. In terms of working arrangements it is proposed that the subcommittee meet a minimum of four times per year and that, when possible, suitable dates originally programmed for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be utilised to ensure minimal disturbance to Councillors diaries in terms of the advised meetings programme. Such dates to be advised to Members following this meeting.

The attached document sets out a suggested Terms of Reference for the proposed Health Sub-Committee. The Terms of Reference outline the Sub-Committee's powers and duties in relation to health matters.

Recommendations: Members are requested to:

- 1. approve the creation of a Health Sub-Committee;
- 2. agree the terms of reference for the Sub-Committee

Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers: None