

Subject:	Ad Hoc Panel Report on the Procurement of a Brighton & Hove GP-Led Health Centre		
Date of Meeting:	08 July 2009		
Report of:	The Acting Director of Strategy and Governance		
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Wards Affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 This report and its appendices detail the findings of the Scrutiny Panel established to examine the issue of the procurement of a Brighton & Hove GP-Led Health Centre.
- 1.2 The Scrutiny Panel's report is re-printed as **Appendix 1** to this report.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That members endorse the ad hoc panel report and its recommendations.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 A GP-Led Health Centre is a GP practice offering standard GP services to registered and non-registered patients on an appointment or 'walk-in' basis. These Health Centres operate extended opening hours (typically 8am - 8pm, 7 days a week).
- 3.2 GP-Led Health Centres are a recent Department of Health initiative, with each Primary Care Trust in England required to provide a centre for its residents

- 3.3 More details on the GP-Led Health Centre initiative and the Brighton & Hove Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) involvement with this project may be found in the body of the ad hoc panel report (see **Appendix 1**).

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 Officers of NHS Brighton & Hove have been informally consulted on the contents of the ad hoc panel report on the GP-Led Health Centre.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 5.1 There are none to this report.

Legal Implications:

- 5.2 In accordance with Part 6.1, section 15, of the Council's constitution, if the Committee agrees the recommendations of the Scrutiny Panel, it is required to prepare a formal report and submit it to the Chief Executive for consideration by Cabinet or the relevant Cabinet Member. Only if one or more recommendations require a departure from or a change to the agreed budget and policy framework would the report need to be considered by Full Council.

If the Committee cannot agree on one single final report, up to one minority report may be prepared and submitted, alongside the majority report, for consideration by the Cabinet or Cabinet Member.

Lawyer consulted: Elizabeth Culbert

Date: 11 June 2009

Equalities Implications:

- 5.3 None directly. GP-Led Health Centres are intended to address problems of under-registration to GP services. In some instances, under-registration correlates meaningfully with membership of certain deprived/excluded groups (e.g. rough sleepers), and members may wish to be assured that relevant equalities issues have been considered by NHS Brighton & Hove when planning the establishment of a local GP-Led Health Centre.

Sustainability Implications:

- 5.4 None directly. GP-Led health Centres are intended to provide a convenient and easily accessible primary care facility for all city residents. Members may wish to receive assurances that issues of access and transport sustainability have been considered by NHS

Brighton & Hove when planning the establishment of a local GP-Led Health Centre.

Crime & Disorder Implications:

5.5 None identified.

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

5.6 None identified.

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

5.7 None identified.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. The ad hoc panel report on procurement of the Brighton & Hove GP-Led Health Centre.

Documents in Members' Rooms:

None

Background Documents:

None

