

**Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee**  
**4 April 2019**

**Chairman's Report**

**1. Co-opted members**

- 1.0 In addition to Councillors the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) includes in its membership up to three non-voting co-opted members. Co-opted members are appointed because of the valuable personal contribution they make to the work of the committee.
- 1.1 Co-opted members normally serve for a period of two years and may serve for one further consecutive period of two years before reapplying. In line with this, a review of the terms of the co-opted members of the committee was due and therefore undertaken in February 2019. An advertisement, application shortlisting and interview process then followed for co-opted members.
- 1.2 There was significant interest from some excellent candidates in the co-opted role and following shortlisting, four people were interviewed and offers made to join the committee immediately to Mrs Barbara Shaw and for a deferred (September) start date to Mrs Anita Higham.

**2. The Horton HOSC**

- 2.0 A meeting of the Horton HOSC took place on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February. All papers are published for these meetings on the Council's website at:  
<http://mycouncil.oxfordshire.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=1070&Year=0>
- 2.1 The main points covered during the meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February were updates on the following:
- Public and stakeholder engagement
  - Service description
  - Activity and population modelling
  - Travel and access data/information
  - Option appraisal
  - Recruitment and retention of staff at OUH.
- 2.2 The next meetings of the Horton HOSC are scheduled for:
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> of April 2019
  - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (provisional)

### **3. Task and Finish Group on Local Health Needs Assessment in the Wantage Locality**

3.1 At the HOSC meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February, the committee agreed a Terms of reference for a Task and Finish Group on Local Health Needs Assessment in the Wantage Locality. The first meeting of this Group will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2019 and a verbal update will be provided at the committee's meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April.

### **4. Committee briefings**

4.0 The committee received three written briefings since its meeting in February 2019. They are in the Appendix of this report are on:

Appendix A: Mental health funding
Appendix B: South Oxford Health Centre
Appendix C: Gynaecology outpatient appointments.

### **5. Actions from February HOSC meeting**

5.0 During the HOSC meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2019, the committee requested a list of those attending the Health and Wellbeing Board workshop at the end of February be shared. This is attached in Appendix D.

5.1 On the 7<sup>th</sup> of February, the committee agreed to explore training for HOSC members on scrutiny of integrated health and care arrangements. Such training would be delivered by the Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS). CfPS is the leading national body promoting and supporting excellence in governance and scrutiny. As a charity, they provide training, consultancy and conferences; they are also respected and provide independent and impartial advice in a wide range of health and social care scrutiny projects nationally.

5.2 The training in question will take place in late April or May, in a workshop format and will cover:

- The changing world of integrated health and care
- The importance of strategic focus in scrutinising health partners
- Assist the understanding of the various provider roles and to consider how each can be effectively scrutinised and held to account
- Building and understanding of the overview and scrutiny framework within an integrated social care and health setting.