

Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Thursday, 24 May 2012 at 10.00 am
County Hall

Membership

Chairman - Councillor Dr Peter Skolar

Deputy Chairman - District Councillor Dr Christopher Hood

<i>Councillors:</i>	Jim Couchman	C.H. Shouler	Keith Strangwood
	Jenny Hannaby	Val Smith	Lawrie Stratford

<i>District Councillors:</i>	West Oxfordshire - TBC	Rose Stratford
	Susanna Pressel	Alison Thomson

<i>Co-optees:</i>	Dr Harry Dickinson	Dr Keith Ruddle	Mrs A. Wilkinson
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N.B. District councils to confirm membership for 2012/13.

Notes:

Date of next meeting: 5 July 2012

What does this Committee review or scrutinise?

- Any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in the area of its local authorities.
- Health issues, systems or economics, not just services provided, commissioned or managed by the NHS.

How can I have my say?

We welcome the views of the community on any issues in relation to the responsibilities of this Committee. Members of the public may ask to speak on any item on the agenda or may suggest matters which they would like the Committee to look at. **Requests to speak must be submitted to the Committee Officer below no later than 9 am on the working day before the date of the meeting.**

For more information about this Committee please contact:

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Peter G. Clark
County Solicitor

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About the Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

The Joint Committee is made up of 15 members. Twelve of them are Councillors, seven from Oxfordshire County Council, and one from each of the District Councils – Cherwell, West Oxfordshire, Oxford City, Vale of White Horse, and South Oxfordshire. Three people can be co-opted to the Joint Committee to bring a community perspective. It is administered by the County Council. Unlike other local authority Scrutiny Committees, the work of the Health Scrutiny Committee involves looking ‘outwards’ and across agencies. Its focus is on health, and while its main interest is likely to be the NHS, it may also look at services provided by local councils which have an impact on health.

About Health Scrutiny

Health Scrutiny is about:

- Providing a challenge to the NHS and other organisations that provide health care
- Examining how well the NHS and other relevant organisations are performing
- Influencing the Cabinet on decisions that affect local people
- Representing the community in NHS decision making, including responding to formal consultations on NHS service changes
- Helping the NHS to develop arrangements for providing health care in Oxfordshire
- Promoting joined up working across organisations
- Looking at the bigger picture of health care, including the promotion of good health
- Ensuring that health care is provided to those who need it the most

Health Scrutiny is NOT about:

- Making day to day service decisions
- Investigating individual complaints.

What does this Committee do?

The Committee meets up to 6 times a year or more. It develops a work programme, which lists the issues it plans to investigate. These investigations can include whole committee investigations undertaken during the meeting, or reviews by a panel of members doing research and talking to lots of people outside of the meeting. Once an investigation is completed the Committee provides its advice to the relevant part of the Oxfordshire (or wider) NHS system and/or to the Cabinet, the full Councils or scrutiny committees of the relevant local authorities. Meetings are open to the public and all reports are available to the public unless exempt or confidential, when the items would be considered in closed session.

If you have any special requirements (such as a large print version of these papers or special access facilities) please contact the officer named on the front page, giving as much notice as possible before the meeting

A hearing loop is available at County Hall.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence and Temporary Appointments**
2. **Election of Chairman for the 2012/13 Council Year**
3. **Election of Deputy Chairman for the 2012/13 Council year**
4. **Declarations of Interest - see guidance note on the back page**
5. **Minutes**

To approve the minutes (**JHO3**) of the meeting held on 8 March 2012 and to note for information any matters arising from them.

6. **Speaking to or Petitioning the Committee**

7. **Public Health Update**

10.20

The Director of Public Health will provide the committee with his regular report on matters of relevance and interest to the committee, including the Health and Well-being Board and public health performance.

8. **Joint Health and Well being Strategy Consultation (Pages 1 - 22)**

10.40

Jonathan McWilliam will present the draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Oxfordshire. The consultation started on 15th May and will run until the 22nd June 2012.

Members are asked to comment on the priorities identified and the draft strategy.

9. **Learning Disability Healthchecks (Pages 23 - 24)**

12.15

A report (**JHO9**) from Angie Eachus Programme Manager, Primary Care Contracts, PCT in response to the committee's questions on the issue of Healthchecks for people with Learning Disabilities that was brought to the committee's attention at its meeting in January.

Any subsequent questions from the report will be taken back to the PCT for them to respond to.

10. South Central Ambulance Service performance (Pages 25 - 36)

11.00

Duncan Burke, Director of Communications & Public Engagement, South Central Ambulance Service, John Nicholls, Operations Director, Aubrey Bell, Area Manager (Oxfordshire) and Debbie Marrs, Assistant Director for Patient Services will present a follow up report (**JHO10a**) on performance of the Ambulance Service in Oxfordshire in response to the discussion and request for more information at the last meeting and present the quality account and priorities (**JHO10b**) for the Trust for the new year.

11. Community Hospitals in Bicester and Henley (Pages 37 - 46)

12.30

Progress update from the Primary Care Trust on the programme of new community hospitals in Bicester and Henley. Attached as background are recent press releases and consultation details (**JHO11a, b and c**)

12. Clinical Commissioning Group (Pages 47 - 50)

12.40

Brief report (**JHO12**) on the progress of the clinical commissioning group arrangements in Oxfordshire. Dr Peter von Eichstorff from the Clinical Commissioning Group will attend the meeting to answer questions.

13. Equality Act and Equality Duty (Pages 51 - 54)

13.00

Ben Threadgold, Senior Policy and Performance Officer, Chief Executive's Office, will provide an update on the Equality Act 2010 and the Equality Duty and its relevance to scrutiny (**JHO13**).

14. Oxfordshire LINK Group – Information Share (Pages 55 - 64)

13.15

Adrian Chant and Sue Butterworth from the LINK will be in attendance to provide an update on the work of Oxfordshire LINK and answer any questions that members may have. They will also present a paper on the planned piece of work on maternity services (**JHO14a**). The Oxfordshire LINK Spring newsletter is attached (**JHO14b**). Lisa Gregory will provide an update on the development of Healthwatch.

15. Chairman's Report

13.30

The Chairman and other committee members will give a verbal update on meetings attended since the last formal meeting of the Health Scrutiny Committee in March. These include,

- Oxford Health quality account and priorities meeting
- Chipping Norton community hospital visit
- Oxford University Hospitals Trust informal meeting
- Quality Innovation Productivity and Performance /Clinical Commissioning Group informal meeting

16. Close of Meeting

13:40

Declarations of Interest

This note briefly summarises the position on interests which you must declare at the meeting. Please refer to the Members' Code of Conduct in Part 9.1 of the Constitution for a fuller description.

The duty to declare ...

You must always declare any "personal interest" in a matter under consideration, i.e. where the matter affects (either positively or negatively):

- (i) any of the financial and other interests which you are required to notify for inclusion in the statutory Register of Members' Interests; or
- (ii) your own well-being or financial position or that of any member of your family or any person with whom you have a close association more than it would affect other people in the County.

Whose interests are included ...

"Member of your family" in (ii) above includes spouses and partners and other relatives' spouses and partners, and extends to the employment and investment interests of relatives and friends and their involvement in other bodies of various descriptions. For a full list of what "relative" covers, please see the Code of Conduct.

When and what to declare ...

The best time to make any declaration is under the agenda item "Declarations of Interest". Under the Code you must declare not later than at the start of the item concerned or (if different) as soon as the interest "becomes apparent".

In making a declaration you must state the nature of the interest.

Taking part if you have an interest ...

Having made a declaration you may still take part in the debate and vote on the matter unless your personal interest is also a "prejudicial" interest.

"Prejudicial" interests ...

A prejudicial interest is one which a member of the public knowing the relevant facts would think so significant as to be likely to affect your judgment of the public interest.

What to do if your interest is prejudicial ...

If you have a prejudicial interest in any matter under consideration, you may remain in the room but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter under consideration, provided that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose, whether under a statutory right or otherwise.

Exceptions ...

There are a few circumstances where you may regard yourself as not having a prejudicial interest or may participate even though you may have one. These, together with other rules about participation in the case of a prejudicial interest, are set out in paragraphs 10 – 12 of the Code.

Seeking Advice ...

It is your responsibility to decide whether any of these provisions apply to you in particular circumstances, but you may wish to seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer before the meeting.