

Notice of Meeting



Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Thursday, 8 February 2024 at 10.00 am
Room 2&3 - County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND

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Membership

Chair - Councillor Jane Hanna OBE
Deputy Chair - District Councillor Elizabeth Poskitt

<i>Councillors:</i>	Nigel Champken-Woods	Nick Leverton	Michael O'Connor
	Jenny Hannaby	Mark Lygo	Freddie van Mierlo
<i>District Councillors:</i>	Paul Barrow	Katharine Keats-Rohan	
	Sandy Douglas	Lesley McLean	
<i>Co-optees:</i>	Barbara Shaw		

Date of next meeting: 18 April 2024

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Martin Reeves
Chief Executive

January 2024

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 no later than 9 am four working days before the date of the meeting.**

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 5 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. **Declarations of Interest - see guidance note on the back page**
3. **Minutes (Pages 1 - 22)**

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2024, and to receive information arising from them.

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

Members of the public who wish to speak at this meeting can attend the meeting in person or 'virtually' through an online connection.

To facilitate 'hybrid' meetings we are asking that requests to speak or present a petition are submitted by no later than 9am four working days before the meeting i.e., 9am on Friday 2nd February. Requests to speak should be sent to Scrutiny@oxfordshire.gov.uk.

5. **Chair's Update (Pages 23 - 42)**

Cllr Hanna will provide a verbal update on relevant issues since the last meeting.

There are TWO documents attached this item:

1. A HOSC report containing recommendations from the Committee on the future of Wantage Community Hospital in light of the completion of the Wantage Public Engagement Exercise and the recommendations from the NHS's co-produced report which were discussed during the 16 January 2024 HOSC meeting.
2. A HOSC report containing recommendations from the Committee on the Oxfordshire Place-Based Partnership.

The Committee is recommended to **NOTE** the Chair's update having raised any relevant questions.

6. **South Central Ambulance Service CQC Improvement Journey Update (Pages 43 - 176)**

Daryl Lutchmaya (SCAS Chief Governance Officer) has been invited to present a report with an update on South Central Ambulance Service's CQC improvement journey.

The Committee is invited to consider the report, raise any questions and **AGREE** any recommendations arising it may wish to make.

PLEASE NOTE: There are 9 documents attached to this item, the first being the main report submitted by SCAS, and the remaining 8 constitute additional supporting information documents provided by the Ambulance Service.

7. John Radcliffe Hospital CQC Improvement Journey Update (Pages 177 - 192)

Eileen Walsh (Chief Assurance Officer, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust) has been invited to present a report with an update on the John Radcliffe Hospital's CQC Improvement Journey.

The Committee is invited to consider the report, raise any questions and **AGREE** any recommendations arising it may wish to make.

8. Healthwatch Oxfordshire Update Report (Pages 193 - 206)

Veronica Barry, Executive Director of Healthwatch Oxfordshire will present the Healthwatch update report. The Committee is invited to consider the report and **NOTE** it having raised any questions arising from the contents.

9. Director of Public Health Annual Report (Pages 207 - 212)

Ansaf Azhar (Director of Public Health) has been invited to present the Director of Public Health's Annual Report.

The Committee is invited to consider the report, raise any questions and **AGREE** any recommendations arising it may wish to make.

10. Response to HOSC Recommendations (Pages 213 - 222)

The Committee has received Responses as well as Acceptances for the recommendations made as part of the following items held during the 23 November 2023 HOSC meeting:

1. Children's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health.
2. CAMHS Services Update

The Committee is recommended to **NOTE** the responses.

11. Forward Work Programme (Pages 223 - 226)

To **AGREE** the Committee's proposed work programme for the upcoming meetings throughout the remainder of the 2023/24 civic year and beyond, having raised any questions.

12. Actions and Recommendations Tracker (Pages 227 - 246)

The Committee is recommended to **NOTE** the progress made against agreed actions and recommendations having raised any questions.

Councillors declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed 'Declarations of Interest' or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your employment; sponsorship (i.e. payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest. If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member 'must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself' and that 'you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned'.

Members Code – Other registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your other registerable interests then you must declare an interest. You must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and you must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Wellbeing can be described as a condition of contentedness, healthiness and happiness; anything that could be said to affect a person's quality of life, either positively or negatively, is likely to affect their wellbeing.

Other registrable interests include:

- a) Any unpaid directorships
- b) Any body of which you are a member or are in a position of general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority.

- c) Any body (i) exercising functions of a public nature (ii) directed to charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management.

Members Code – Non-registrable interests

Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to your financial interest or wellbeing (and does not fall under disclosable pecuniary interests), or the financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate, you must declare the interest.

Where a matter arises at a meeting which affects your own financial interest or wellbeing, a financial interest or wellbeing of a relative or close associate or a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under other registrable interests, then you must declare the interest.

In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied:

Where a matter affects the financial interest or well-being:

- a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
- b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest.

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.