

<b>Item No.</b> 8	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 20 October 2015	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Overview & Scrutiny Committee
<b>Report title:</b>		Establishment of a South East London statutory joint health scrutiny committee to consider proposals arising from the NHS programme Our Healthier South East London	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		All	
<b>From:</b>		Head of Overview & Scrutiny	

## 1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 That Southwark enters into a joint committee arrangement with Bexley, Bromley, Greenwich, Lambeth and Lewisham Councils to consider consultation proposals from the local NHS entitled Our Healthier South East London

1.2 That the terms of reference of the joint committee are: to scrutinize the recommendations arising from the Our Healthier South East London programme and to adopt procedure rules appropriate for this purpose

1.3 That Overview & Scrutiny Committee agrees to appoint two Southwark members to the joint committee

1.4 That Overview & Scrutiny Committee agrees to appoint two Labour members in accordance with the rules relating to political proportionality

1.5 That the chair of the Healthy Communities Scrutiny Sub-Committee reports back to Overview & Scrutiny periodically on the work of the joint committee

## 2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 The six clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) working with NHS England have been working together to address the key challenges facing healthcare in SE London and develop a commissioning strategy that addresses these challenges. The programme of work applies across the six boroughs and is known as Our Healthier South East London (OHSEL).

2.2 Mark Easton (OHSEL programme director) and Andrew Bland (Southwark CCG chief officer) attended Healthy Communities Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 7<sup>th</sup> October to brief members on the programme's progress and answer questions. A copy of their summary document is attached at Appendix A for OSC members' ease of reference

### **3. KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

3.1 Southwark's constitution empowers Overview & Scrutiny Committee to enter into a joint committee and provide for the council's scrutiny function to be carried out by that joint committee. In this case, the NHS organisations have indicated to the six SE London boroughs that the proposals arising from this programme of work are likely to require public consultation and that accordingly a joint scrutiny committee should be established.

3.2 All six boroughs have agreed and will be following their local constitutional arrangements between October and December to establish this committee with the aim that it meets for the first time before Christmas. It is proposed that the joint committee determines charring arrangements and formally adopts terms of reference at its first meetings. Scrutiny officers in the six boroughs are working together to draft proposed terms of reference.

3.3 The current estimate is that six meetings will be required.

### **4. Community impact statement**

4.1 The role of the joint committee is to examine the emerging proposals and scrutinize the consultation arrangements to ensure that all affected communities have the opportunity to participate

### **5. Resource implications**

5.1 All the boroughs involved have extremely tight resources for supporting scrutiny. The proposal is that meetings are hosted and supported by each borough in turn. This may limit other scrutiny support at the stage when Southwark is hosting.

### **6. Consultation**

6.1 This report is only concerned with establishing the constitutional and administrative arrangements for the joint committee. No consultation has taken place on these matters.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS**

### **7. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

<b>Background Papers</b>	<b>Held At</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Healthy Communities Sub-Committee Agenda papers	<a href="http://www.southwark.gov.uk">www.southwark.gov.uk</a>	Julie Timbrell 02075250514

## 8. AUDIT TRAIL

*This section must be included in all reports.*

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