

Law and Governance  
Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD

Report of: Head of Democratic Services and Governance

Meeting of: Health and Care Scrutiny Committee

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

Ward(s): N/A

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## Subject: Health and Care Scrutiny Committee – Membership, Terms of Reference, and Dates of Meetings

### 1. Synopsis

- 1.1. The Committee is asked to note the Committee's terms of reference and other arrangements.

### 2. Recommendations

- 2.1. To note the membership, terms of reference and dates of meetings of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee for the municipal year 2023/24.

### 3. Background

- 3.1. The Health and Care Scrutiny Committee is one of the Council's five scrutiny committees. Scrutiny Committees carry out reviews of the council's policies, performance and practice and also consider how external organisations conduct their business to support local, accountable and transparent decision-making and to shape future policy and practice.

3.2. The terms of reference of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee are set out at Appendix A.

3.3. The Committee membership for 2023-24 is set out below

Councillor Jilani Chowdhury (Chair)  
Councillor Joseph Croft (Vice Chair)  
Councillor Janet Burgess  
Councillor Tricia Clarke  
Councillor Fin Craig  
Councillor Mick Gilgunn  
Councillor Caroline Russell  
Councillor Claire Zammit

Substitutes:

Councillor Benali Hamdache  
Councillor Dave Poyser  
Councillor Heather Staff  
Councillor Flora Williamson  
Councillor Benali Hamdache

3.4. The dates of meetings for 2023-24 are:

- 3rd July 2023
- 5th September 2023
- 5th October 2023
- 14th November 2023
- 18th December 2023
- 23rd January 2024
- 4th March 2024
- 15th April 2024
- 11th June 2024

## 4. Implications

### 4.1. Financial Implications

4.1.1. There are no direct financial implications associated with this report. The costs associated with scrutiny work are met from existing service budgets.

### 4.2. Legal Implications

- 4.2.1. The Council appoints scrutiny committees to discharge its statutory scrutiny functions under the Local Government Act 2000.
- 4.3. **Environmental Implications and contribution to achieving a net zero carbon Islington by 2030**
- 4.3.1. There are no direct environmental implications associated with this report. Scrutiny Committees will consider and review matters relating to environmental sustainability and related issues as they arise in their work programme.
- 4.4. **Equalities Impact Assessment**
- 4.4.1. The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding.
- 4.4.2. An Equalities Impact Assessment is not required in relation to this report. Scrutiny Committees will consider and review equalities matters as they arise in their work programme.

## 5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations

- 5.1. The Committee is asked to note its terms of reference and working arrangements.

### Appendices:

- Appendix A: Terms of Reference

### Background papers:

- None.

### Final report clearance:

Approved by:

**Head of Democratic Services and Governance**

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## **Appendix A – Terms of Reference**

### **HEALTH AND CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

(This Scrutiny Committee is responsible in accordance with regulation 28 of the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013) for the Council's health scrutiny functions other than the power under regulation 23(9) to make referrals to the secretary of state

#### **Composition**

Members of the Executive may not be members of the Scrutiny Committee.

Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board should not be appointed to this committee.

No member may be involved in scrutinising a decision which he/she has been directly involved.

The Scrutiny Committee shall be entitled to appoint a number of people as non-voting co-optees.

#### **Quorum**

The quorum for a meeting of the committee shall be four members.

#### **Terms of Reference**

1. To review the planning, provision and operation of health and care services in Islington area, invite reports from local health and care providers and request them to address the committee about their activities and performance
2. To respond to consultations by local health trusts and the Department of Health.
3. To consider whether changes proposed by local health trusts amount to a substantial variation or development.

4. To make reports and/or recommendations to a relevant NHS body or a relevant health service provider.
5. To recommend to the Council that a referral be made to the secretary of state under regulation 23(9) of the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.
6. To make reports and/or recommendations to the Council and/or the Executive on matters which affect the health and wellbeing of inhabitants of the area.
7. To carry out the functions of an overview and scrutiny committee in respect of matters relating to the Public Health Directorate or to Adult Social Services.
8. To undertake a scrutiny review, of its own choosing and any further reviews as directed by the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committee and, consulting all relevant sections of the community, to make recommendations to the Executive thereon.
9. To carry out any review referred to it by the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committee following consideration of a Councillor Call for Action referral.