

Birmingham City Council and Solihull MBC

Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Subject: Birmingham and Solihull Joint Health and Social Care Committee Terms of Reference.

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1 Purpose

- 1.1 To consider the Birmingham and Solihull Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Terms of Reference.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 To note the Terms of Reference for the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) as set out in 3.2 below.

3 Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Terms of Reference

- 3.1 The scope of the Joint Committee was extended through updates to its Terms of Reference in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2019, 2022 and 2023 to include:

- The monitoring of related issues, such as quality of care across the former Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust Birmingham, and Solihull Mental Health Trust sites, as necessary
- The scrutiny of activity, particularly with regards to any changes to clinical pathways
- To consider proposals coming forward from the Birmingham and Solihull Integrated Care System (ICS) that affect Birmingham and Solihull.

- 3.2 No direct financial implications resulting from this report.

4 Membership

- 4.1 Membership of the Joint HOSC will be nominated by the Birmingham City Council and Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council.

- 4.2 Membership of the Joint Scrutiny Committee will reflect the political balance of each local authority. For a committee of ten members the ratio for Solihull is (3:1:1) and for Birmingham it is (3:1:1).

5 Any Legal Implications

- 5.1 No direct legal implications resulting from this report.

6 Any Equalities Implications

- 6.1 The Council has a Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act (2010) to have due regard to the need to:
- Eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act;
 - Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
 - Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.
- 6.2 The Committee should ensure that it addresses these duties by considering them during work programme development, the scoping of work, evidence gathering and making recommendations. This should include considering: How policy issues impact on different groups within the community, particularly those that share a relevant protected characteristic; Whether the impact on particular groups is fair and proportionate; Whether there is equality of access to services and fair representation of all groups within Birmingham; Whether any positive opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and/or good relations between people are being realised.

7 Appendices

- 7.1 Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Solihull and Birmingham) Terms of Reference