

<b>SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR HEALTH ISSUES</b>	<b>Agenda Item No. 3</b>
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## **Report of the Solicitor to the Council**

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### **FUTURE OF SERVICES AT THE ALMA ROAD PRIMARY CARE CENTRE**

#### **1. PURPOSE**

- 1.1 To enable the Commission to consider the revised consultation document for the future of services at the Alma Road Primary Care Centre following the meeting held on 19 July 2010.

#### **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 To consider and comment on the revised consultation document.
- 2.2 To consider and comment on the options presented and NHS Peterborough's preferred option.

#### **3. FUTURE OF SERVICES AT THE ALMA ROAD PRIMARY CARE CENTRE**

- 3.1 At its meeting on 19 July 2010 the Commission considered a consultation document on the future of services currently provided at Alma Road Primary Care Centre.

- 3.2 During that meeting the Commission expressed a number of concerns about the document, including:

- Statistical information with regard to the number of walk in patients and the number of registered patients for GP services at the Alma Road Primary Care Centre required updating;
- The consultation document did not include details of the actual distances from the Alma Road Primary Care Centre to the other GP surgeries mentioned in the document and the City Care Walk In Centre;
- The consultation document appeared to be steering consultees to one particular option and did not provide a fair and balanced view; and
- The document did not give detailed information on alternative options.

- 3.3 The Commission therefore recommended to NHS Peterborough that:

- (i) the consultation be revised to incorporate the additional information highlighted by the Scrutiny Commission and to reflect their comments; and
- (ii) the revised consultation document be submitted to members of the Commission before being sent out for further consultation within two weeks of the date of the meeting.

- 3.4 As requested NHS Peterborough have now revised the consultation document and it is attached at Appendix 1.

#### **4. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 4.1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues held on 19 July 2010.

#### **5. Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Revised Consultation Document

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