

# CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## HEALTH COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

### Membership

Seventeen members of the Council. The Chairman/woman and Vice-Chairman/woman of the Committee shall be appointed by Full Council.

Five non-voting co-opted District Councillors, one from each District Council in Cambridgeshire. District Councils shall be invited to nominate one member and one substitute. The usual rules for substitution as set out in the Council Procedure Rules shall apply.

### Overview of Functions

This committee has delegated authority to exercise the County Council's functions in respect of the following:

- The County Council's public health duty including health improvement, individual and community wellbeing, and reduction of health inequalities
- Responding as appropriate to central government consultation relating to policy or legislation falling within the remit of the Committee
- the review and scrutiny of any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health services in Cambridgeshire
- to report to the Secretary of State for Health on any proposals for substantial change to any part of the NHS's services within Cambridgeshire.

### Delegated Authority

#### Delegation/ Condition

Authority to exercise the powers conferred by Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000 and Section 7 of the Health and Social Care Act 2001 as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012, and the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 (SI 2013/218) to review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning provision and operation of the health service in its area.

Authority to exercise the power under Section 23 of the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 to report on a proposal for a substantial health service development or variation to the Secretary of State for Health

Authority to delegate its functions under Section 7 of the Health and Social Care Act 2001 as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 to a joint overview and scrutiny committee when this is required by the Direction issued by the Secretary of State for Health in July 2003 or is conducive to the efficient scrutiny of proposals affecting more than one Social Services local authority area.

Authority to appoint members to a joint overview and scrutiny committee established under the paragraph above. In this case the political balance requirements will apply to such appointments.

Authority to assist the Director of Public Health in the exercise of the Public Health statutory duties set out in:

- . the Health and Social Care Act 2012
- . the NHS Bodies and Local Authorities (Partnership Arrangements, Care Trusts, Public Health and Local Healthwatch) Regulations 2012
- . NHS Act 2006
- . Criminal Justice Act 2003
- . Licensing Act 2003
- . Water Industry Act 1991
- . Water Industry Act 1988
- . Mental Health Act 1983
- . Mental Capacity Act 2005

Authority to oversee and undertake the Council's functions relating to the public health duty of the Council including health improvement, individual and community wellbeing, and the reduction of health inequalities

Authority for approving all strategies associated with the committee portfolio area not reserved for approval by Full Council  
Authority to respond, as appropriate, on behalf of the Council to Government consultation in respect of policy and/or legislation affecting any of the responsibilities falling with the remit of the Health Committee.