

Title of Report:	Health Scrutiny Panel Activity Report
Report to be considered by:	Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission
Date of Meeting:	21 February 2012

Purpose of Report: To advise the Commission of the Health Scrutiny Panel's recent past and future activity.

Recommended Action: To note the report.

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Executive Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission with information on the activity undertaken by the Health Scrutiny Panel (HSP) since the Commission last met. It also highlights the activity likely to take place in the near future.

2. Recent activity

- 2.1 The HSP last met on 17 January 2012. The main item on this agenda was the scrutiny of Continuing Healthcare (CHC) funding in West Berkshire. Evidence was gathered from NHS Berkshire, the South Central Strategic Health Authority (SHA) and the Newbury & District Clinical Commissioning Group. The Review will continue once the written evidence from Mr Waddicor (Chief Executive, NHS Berkshire) and the SHA benchmarking data has been received.
- 2.2 Two items were removed from the Work Programme as completed actions, these were:
- (1) The "Six Lives Review" of those with Learning Disabilities
 - (2) Future GP commissioning arrangements in West Berkshire

3. Planned Work

The HSC is next due to meet on 27 March 2012 when it will receive further updates on:

- (1) continuing Healthcare (CHC) funding in West Berkshire;
- (2) the interim findings of the West Berkshire Local Involvement Network's review of "Dignity and Nutrition in Local Acute Hospitals".

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Members of the Commission are recommended to note the contents of this report.

Appendices

There are no appendices to this report.

Consultees

Local Stakeholders:

Officers Consulted: Scrutiny and Partnerships Manager

Trade Union: N/A