Title of Report: Healthier Select Committee Update

Report to be considered by:

Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission

Date of Meeting: 3 August 2010

Purpose of Report: To provide an update on the work of the Healthier

Select Committee.

Recommended Action: To note for information.

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Executive Report

1. Purpose

1.1 The Healthier Select Committee (HSC) held its last meeting on the 6 July 2010 and the minutes of this meeting are attached at Appendix A.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the last meeting Members received a briefing about the impact of the Coalition Government's proposals for the future of the NHS and social care services (see attached minutes for more details).
- 2.2 Additionally, scrutiny took place on the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) Annual Report and the Committee's view was that the NHS Trust was responding appropriately to patient concerns.
- 2.3 Future work items will include scrutiny of the "Care for the Future" review. This will look at a wide range of key services and how they will be delivered in the future. As a regional review of these services is underway, there may be opportunities to jointly work with other South Central Health Scrutiny Committees.
- 2.4 Since the meeting, Members have been informed about changes to GP service provision at Underwood Road, Calcot. This will be the subject of a special HSC meeting held during early September.

3. Work Programme

3.1 The latest work programme for the Select Committee is contained within Appendix A of item 17 of this agenda.

Appendices

Appendix A – Healthier Select Committee minutes from 6 July 2010