

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Agenda Item 36

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject:	Extract from the Proceedings of the Health & wellbeing Board meeting held on the 20 October 2015 – Primary Care Services in Brighton & Hove		
Date of Meeting:	22 September 2015		
Report of:	Monitoring Officer and Head of Legal & Democratic Services		
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Wards Affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

Action Required of Overview & Scrutiny Committee:

To receive the item referred from the Health & Wellbeing Board for consideration:

Recommendation:

That the Overview & Scrutiny Committee be requested to give consideration to the establishment of a Scrutiny Panel to review the report and the state of play for primary care and identify possible solutions/options to safeguard GP practices in the city.

HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

4.00pm 20 OCTOBER 2015

BRIGHTHELM COMMUNITY CENTRE

MINUTES

Present:

Councillors Yates (Chair), K. Norman (Opposition Spokesperson), Mac Cafferty (Group Spokesperson), Barford (Lead Member for Adult Care & Health) and G. Theobald, Graham Bartlett (Chair of Safeguarding Children's & Adults' Boards), Pennie Ford (NHS England), Geraldine Hoban, Dr. George Mack, Dr. Xavier Nalletamby and Dr. Manas Sikdar (Clinical Commissioning Group).

Other non-voting members present:

Denise D'Souza (Statutory Director of Adult Social Care), Pinaki Ghoshal (Statutory Director for Children's Services), Frances McCabe (Healthwatch) and Dr. Tom Scanlon (Director of Public Health).

Also in attendance:

35 PRIMARY CARE SERVICES IN BRIGHTON & HOVE

- 35.1 The Chair informed the committee that he had received notification of a practice in Peacehaven where the GP's had announced plans to retire, which would directly affect a number of patients and was another example of the situation affecting patients and providers in the region.
- 35.2 Councillor Mac Cafferty welcomed the report but noted that the information provided by the Chair and the report highlighted the difficulty in attracting new GP's to the service. He was concerned that a number of practices were in danger of closing and could not see how it would be possible to ensure that they remained open.
- 35.3 The Chair stated that whilst the report was note, he wished to propose that it was referred to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee for information with a request that the committee give consideration to establishing a Scrutiny Panel to review the state of play for primary care and identify possible solutions/options to safeguard GP practices in the city.
- 35.4 **RESOLVED-**
- (1) That the contents of the report be noted; and
 - (2) That the report be referred to the next meeting of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee for information, with a request that it give consideration to the establishment of a Scrutiny Panel to review the report and the state of play for primary care and identify possible solutions/options to safeguard GP practices in the city.