

Chairman's Report - Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

September 2016

The Committee met on 11th July 2016. The agenda included the following:

- *Care homes* – The Committee requested an update on care homes and in particular provision and demand of residential and nursing care within the Borough. Members also sought assurance regarding quality of provision of services within Wokingham Borough.
- *Update on the closure of the Independent Living Fund*
- *Support for carers*
- *Healthwatch Wokingham Borough Annual Report 2015-16*

The Committee last met on 8 September 2016 and considered:

- *Update on Step Up, Step Down* - Step-up to support to prevent unnecessary hospital or care home admission or step-down to support on discharge from hospital. Under this scheme accommodation is provided for intense reablement support for up to 21 days. There were presently two one bedroom flats and one two bedroom flat in Alexandra Place. 24 hour support is provided.
- *Healthwatch Presentation*
- *Care Homes and GP registration*
- *Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee - ideas for improvement*

Councillor Houldsworth will raise a question re care home residents being registered with GP's.

The Committee's next meeting is 8th November 2016.

Councillor Ken Miall, Chairman of Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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