

**Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS)**

**Date: 19 April 2016**

**Subject: Chairs Update Report – April 2016**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**1 Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an opportunity to formally outline some of the areas of work and activity of the Chair of the Scrutiny Board since the previous Scrutiny Board meeting in March 2016.

**2 Main issues**

- 2.1 Invariably, scrutiny activity often takes place outside of the formal monthly Scrutiny Board meetings. Such activity can take the form of working groups, but can also involve specific activity and actions of the Chair of the Scrutiny Board.
- 2.2 The purpose of this report is to provide an opportunity to formally update the Scrutiny Board on activity since the last meeting, including any specific outcomes. It also provides an opportunity for members of the Scrutiny Board to identify and agree any further scrutiny activity that may be necessary.
- 2.3 Previously, the Chair has advised the Board of discussions being held regarding the timely release of the deceased for the purpose of burial. Further discussions are being planned, however the draft notes of a meeting from 1 February 2016 are attached for information.
- 2.4 The Chair and Principal Scrutiny Adviser will provide a verbal update on other matters at the meeting, as required.

### **3. Recommendations**

#### 3.1 Members are asked to:

- a) Note the content of this report and the verbal update provided at the meeting.
- b) Identify any specific matters that may require further scrutiny input/ activity.

### **4. Background papers<sup>1</sup>**

#### 4.1 None used

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<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.