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

**Scrutiny Board (Health)**

**Date: 23 November 2010**

**Subject: Leeds Community Health Care**

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**Electoral Wards Affected:**

Ward Members consulted  
(referred to in report)

**Specific Implications For:**

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

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**1.0 Purpose of this Report**

1.1 The purpose of the report is to update the Scrutiny Board (Health) regarding developments towards delivering a future organisational structure for Leeds Community Health Care.

**2.0 Background**

2.1 In September 2010, Council received a deputation from UNISON Community Health regarding an expression of interest by NHS Leeds Community Healthcare's (the provider arm of NHS Leeds) request to become a social enterprise. A copy of the deputation verbatim is attached to this report.

2.2 The deputation was referred to Executive Board and considered at its meeting on 3 November 2010. A copy of the Executive Board report is attached.

2.3 At its meeting, Executive Board resolved:

(a) That the response to the Unison Leeds Community Health deputation to Council be noted.

(b) That no further action be taken in respect of the request that Executive Board refer this matter to Health Scrutiny on the grounds that arrangements are in place for Scrutiny Board (Health) to consider plans for the re-organisation of community health services in Leeds at its meeting on 23rd November 2010.

- (c) That it be noted that the Leader of the Council has written to NHS Leeds confirming the Council's support for Foundation Trust status for Leeds Community Healthcare based upon the integration of health and social care services.

### **3.0 Report issues**

- 3.1 Representatives from UNISON have been invited to the meeting to outline matters they wish to draw to the attention of the Scrutiny Board.
- 3.2 Representatives from NHS Leeds have also been invited to the meeting to outline the preferred future delivery model for community health care services, progress towards delivering that model and future actions required..

### **4.0 Recommendation**

- 4.1 The Scrutiny Board (Health) is asked to consider the information outlined in this report and presented at the meeting, and determine any specific that require future scrutiny.

### **5.0 Background Papers**

None