

**JOINT HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
(YORKSHIRE & THE HUMBER)**

**TUESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 2011**

**PRESENT:** Councillor L Mulherin in the Chair

Councillors S Ali, J Clark, M Gibbons,  
R Goldthorpe, T Revill, L Smaje and  
S Wiseman

**41 Late Item**

It was agreed to admit the following additional information for consideration at the meeting:-

- A further working draft of the Joint Committees final report (minute 44 refers).

**42 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**43 Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitutes**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors J Bromby, D Brown, B Rhodes, I Saunders, K Wilson and J Worton.

No substitute members were in attendance.

**44 Review of Children's Congenital Heart Services in England: Final Report (draft)**

The Head of Scrutiny and Member Development presented a further draft of the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) for Yorkshire and the Humber's report in response to the proposed changes to Children's Congenital Heart Services in England and the proposed reconfiguration of designated surgical centres.

Members reviewed the draft report line by line and agreement was reached on suggestions for amendment and inclusion in the final report.

Following the review of the draft report, the Chair of the Joint HOSC recorded her thanks to all members of the Committee for their time, effort and commitment to the Joint Scrutiny inquiry.

Members of the Joint HOSC also asked to place on record their appreciation of the Chair's work conducting this inquiry and producing the substantial report.

Thanks to the officers supporting the work of the Joint HOSC, in particular Steven Courtney, Principal Scrutiny Adviser at Leeds City Council, was also expressed by the Joint HOSC.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the report be amended in line with the discussion and be submitted to the Joint Committee of Primary Care Trusts (JCPCT) as the Joint HOSC's response to the proposed changes to Children's Congenital Heart Services in England and the proposed reconfiguration of designated surgical centres.
  
- (b) That a response to the Joint HOSC's report and its recommendations be sought from the JCPCT in line with the statutory 28 day deadline.