

# HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING SELECT COMMITTEE

**TUESDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2010**

**7.30 PM**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES  
CENTRAL MILTON KEYNES**

**A G E N D A**

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Councillor: Irons (Chair)

Councillors: Gerrella and Wright (Vice-Chairs)

Councillors: Barry, Box, Campbell, Drewett, I Henderson, Klein and Wharton

Co-optee: Mr John Needham (Chairman [Local Involvement Networks Executive Committee])

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## **What is Overview and Scrutiny?**

Each local authority is required by law to establish an overview and scrutiny function to support and scrutinise the Council's executive arrangements.

Each select committee has its own remit as set out in its terms of reference but they each meet to consider issues of local importance.

They have a number of key roles:

1. Providing a critical friend challenge to policy makers and decision makers
2. Enabling the voice and concerns of the public
3. Driving improvement in public services.

The select committees consider issues by receiving information from and questioning officers and external partners to develop an understanding of proposals or practices. They then develop recommendations to provide to officers, Members or external partners that they believe will improve performance, or as a response to public consultations.

As select committees have no executive powers they often present their conclusions in the form of recommendations that can be provided to the Council, elected Members or other external agencies. Members will often request a formal response and progress report on the implementation of recommendations that they have provided to various parties.

## **Attending Meetings of Select Committees**

Meetings of the select committees are held in public and are open for everyone to attend. If you would like to attend then please just turn up but if you can then let us know you are attending in advance of the meeting and whether or not you would like to make a representation to Members on behalf of yourself or others.

If there are specific issues that the meeting must consider in private then they will be asked to consider this at the meeting.

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## **Council Priorities 2009/10 – 2010/11**

To have effective and efficient routes that are affordable and accessible for all.

To increase the level of education attainment for children and adults.

To make it a safe and pleasant environment for the people of Milton Keynes to live and work.

To improve people's life chances and narrow the gap between our poorest and most affluent communities.

To help teenagers achieve their potential, contribute into their community and enjoy their lives.

To limit the adverse impact of the recession on the community and businesses, and prepare for economic recovery.

## **Terms of Reference**

- (a) To assist in the provision of improved health and well-being to the residents of Milton Keynes by supporting the development of evidence based policies and strategies by the Council and the Health Trusts and their partners in relation to social care, health and well-being.
- (b) To scrutinise the provision of services, the achievement of targets and the provision of resources to this end.
- (c) To carry out the Council's statutory responsibility for the scrutiny of health.

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

**2. Apologies**

**3. Disclosures of Interest**

Members and officers to disclose any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business to be transacted.

**4. Minutes**

To approve, and the Chair to sign as a correct record, the Minutes of the Health and Community Wellbeing Select Committee meeting held on 25 November 2009 (Item 4) (**Pages 6 to 10**).

**5. Maternity Services**

Tony Halton, Director of Nursing at Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, will present an update on Maternity Services at the Hospital in response to the Care Quality Commission's follow-up intervention report, which was published on 19 January 2010 (**Pages 11 to 20**).

**Health and Safety**

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**Meeting Attended: Health and Community Wellbeing Select Committee**

**Date of Meeting: 2 February 2010**

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