

Report to:	HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Item number	4
Relevant Officer:	Steve Sienkiewicz, Scrutiny Manager.
Date of Meeting	17 th July 2014

JOINT LANCASHIRE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 The Committee to consider the appointment of one new member to the Joint Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To appoint one new member to the Joint Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee from the Labour Group, in order to maintain political proportionality requirements.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 To ensure the appropriate level of representation from Blackpool on the joint Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? N/A

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

None.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 N/A

5.0 Background Information

5.1 A 'semi-permanent' Joint Lancashire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee was established in 2011 to consider strategic items that are of equal relevance and importance to more than one existing Committee.

5.2 The main principles of operation for the Joint Committee are as follows:

- It is a formally constituted Committee to consider strategic consultation items only. Scrutiny is conducted 'in meeting' and separate working groups will not be formed unless absolutely necessary.
- Meetings are on an 'as required' basis, frequency is determined on an ongoing basis by workload.
- Membership consists of nine members from Lancashire County Council, three members from Blackpool Council and three members from Blackburn with Darwen Council.
- The Joint Committee does not dilute or supersede the operation or powers of any of the participating authority's existing health overview and scrutiny committees.

5.3 Following changes to the membership of the Health Scrutiny Committee, there is a need to consider the appointment of one new member from the Labour Group in order to maintain political proportionality requirements. The existing Members are Councillors Stansfield and M Mitchell.

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

List of Appendices:

None.

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 None.

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 None.

8.0 Equalities considerations:

8.1 None.

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 None.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 None.

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None.

12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

12.1 None.

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 None.