

**Minutes of the meeting of the Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Committee,
held virtually via video conference on Wednesday 14 October 2020 at 10:30am**

Present

Cllr Jillian Reeves (Chairman)	Cllr Dave Harris
Cllr Anne Brown	Cllr June Lumley
Cllr Tony Edwards (Harlow DC)	Cllr Bob Massey
Cllr Beverley Egan (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr Clive Souter
Cllr Ricki Gadsby	Cllr Mark Stephenson
Cllr Alan Goggin (substitute)	Cllr Andy Wood

Apologies

Cllr Mike Steptoe

Other Members

Cllr John Baker

The following officers were supporting the meeting:

Richard Buttress, Democratic Services Manager

Sophie Campion, Democratic Services Officer

1. Membership, apologies and declarations

Apologies were received from:

- Cllr Mike Steptoe (substituted by Cllr Alan Goggin)

The following Declarations of Interest were made:

Name	Interest
Cllr Anne Brown	Son is a surgeon at Southend Hospital
Cllr Tony Edwards	Governor at EPUT
Cllr Beverley Egan	Cousin is the Managing Director of the Basildon Hospital Trust
Cllr Bob Massey	Governor at EPUT
Cllr Andy Wood	Governor of EPUT until August 2020
	Wife works for Clacton Coastal Academy

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 23 September 2020 were approved by the committee as an accurate record.

3. Questions from the public

No questions from members of the public were received.

4. Coronavirus Update

The committee considered report HOSC/25/20 comprising of a verbal update on the Coronavirus Pandemic in Essex.

After discussion, it was **Resolved** that:

- (i) An update be provided on the provision of a mobile testing unit in the Epping Forest District.
- (ii) To provide a further update on the Coronavirus Pandemic – date to be agreed.

5. Delays to cancer treatments as a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic

The committee considered report HOSC/26/20, comprising of a briefing from the East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust (ESNEFT) and the Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust (MSEFT) outlining the impact the Coronavirus Pandemic has had specifically on cancer treatments.

The committee noted that despite repeated requests, the Princess Alexandra Hospital Trust (PAH) did not submit a written report.

After discussion, it was **Resolved** that:

- (i) ESNEFT/MSEFT to provide clarification on the pausing of breast screening for over 70's.
- (ii) That quarterly performance reports be provided to the HOSC, specifically on cancer treatments.

6. Chairman's Report

The committee considered and noted report HOSC/27/20.

The committee noted the report submitted regarding the Covid critical South West Essex Frailty Programme. The committee agreed it did not constitute a variation in service and therefore did not require formal presentation to the HOSC.

7. Member Updates

The committee considered and noted report HOSC/28/20.

8. Work Programme

The committee considered report HOSC/29/20 the current work programme was noted by the committee.

9. Date of next meeting

To note that the next committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 4 November 2020 at 10:30am.

10. Urgent business

No urgent business was received.

11. Urgent exempt business

No urgent exempt business was received.

The meeting closed at 1.10pm.

Chairman