

# HOSC/15/17

**Committee** Health Overview and Scrutiny

**Date** 20 March 2017

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## ESSEX/SUFFOLK JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

### Action required:

1. To note and endorse the Terms of Reference of the Joint Committee (Appendix 1) established with Suffolk County Council HOSC to review the Suffolk and North Essex Sustainability and Transformation Plan (this has already been approved by the HOSC Chairman and Vice Chairmen);
2. To agree the HOSC representatives serving on the Joint Committee (acknowledging that this will need to be further reviewed after the County Council elections);

### Background:

Every local health and care system in England has been asked by NHS England to create a local plan, called a Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP), to help drive sustainable transformation in local health and care between 2016 and 2021. NHS providers, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), Local Authorities, and other health and care services have been asked to come together to form 'footprints'. There are 44 footprints in England.

The county of Essex has three different STP footprints that overlap it (North East Essex and Suffolk STP, Mid and South Essex STP, and Hertfordshire and West Essex STP) which may, at some point, involve formal and informal joint working opportunities with each of Suffolk County Council, Southend-on-Sea Borough Council, Thurrock Council and Hertfordshire County Council HOSCs respectively.

In the case of the North East Essex and Suffolk footprint it has already been agreed to set up a formal Joint Committee with Suffolk. This was agreed at the July 2016 meeting of the Essex HOSC. The first public meeting of the Joint Committee was held on Friday 10 March 2017 and was attended by the HOSC Vice Chairmen Councillors Harris and Wood (and non-HOSC members - Cllrs Erskin and Sargeant) who will provide an oral update.

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On 17 November 2016, the STP Implementation Plan for Suffolk and North East Essex STP was published. A copy of the plan and associated documents can be found at: <https://www.westsuffolkccg.nhs.uk/health-care-working-together-differently/>