

Report title: Chairman's Report	
Report to: Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Committee	
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County Divisions affected: Not applicable	

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This is the latest update reporting on discussions at HOSC Chairman's Forum meetings (Chairman, Vice Chairmen and Lead JHOSC Member).

2. Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to consider this report and identify any issues arising.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Forum usually meets monthly in between scheduled Committee meetings to discuss work planning. In addition, there are also meetings with the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care on a bi-monthly basis and quarterly meetings with senior officers.

4. Update and Next Steps

- 4.1. The Forum met virtually on Wednesday 22 September 2021 to discuss two matters – confirming the agenda for the October HOSC meeting and to discuss the proposal to close Steeple Bumpstead branch surgery.

October agenda

The Forum confirmed that the two items being presented at the October HOSC meeting are:

- East of England Ambulance Service Trust - response to HOSC letter
- Covid-19 update

Steeple Bumpstead Engagement – NHS North East Essex CCG

The Forum were asked to consider a written briefing which provided background information about an engagement exercise that is starting, seeking views on a proposal to close the surgery at Steeple Bumpstead, which has not been in use for over a year.

Following discussion, the Forum **resolved** that the briefing paper would be circulated to the committee, with the NHS North East Essex CCG be invited to a future Chairman's Forum to discuss the initial findings of the consultation.

5. List of Appendices – none