

Buckinghamshire In House Forum Support Organisation

Report to Overview & Scrutiny Committee - April 2007

Buckinghamshire Hospitals PPI Forum

The main project carried out under this year's work programme (April 2006-March 2007) concerns visits to individual wards and departments at Stoke Mandeville Hospital and Wycombe General Hospital. To date some 12 visits have been carried out and this programme is set to continue and will be incorporated into the new work programme. After each visit a report is issued and sent to the Buckinghamshire Hospital Trust – this includes any recommendations our members wish to make. I have a list of all reports that have been issued to date together with replies received from the Trust. If any members would like to have a copy please let me know.

Other work in the current programme includes investigations into infection control, hospital signage and audiology.

Buckinghamshire Primary Care PPI Forum

You will be aware the 3 former forums for Vale of Aylesbury, Chiltern & South Bucks and Wycombe were reconfigured into one for in October 2006. The individual work programmes have now been incorporated and include

- Cancer care for patients in Bucks – with particular emphasis on the future of Mount Vernon Hospital now we know the planned new hospital at Hatfield is not to be built.
- Visits to service providers including GP surgeries and Harmoni the out of hours service,
- A review of preventative services currently offered
- Dentistry
- Engagement with the public including Black and ethnic minority groups
- Monitoring any threats to community hospitals

South Central Ambulance Service PPI Forum

As you know this forum covers most of south east England down to Hampshire. The whole forum (21) members meet quarterly and the 3 area groups meet on a monthly basis. The current work plan includes the future of public transport services included all allied transport facilities, acute admission waiting times (patients at A&E left on ambulance trolleys whilst waiting for admission). We have here today Eileen Young from the Ambulance forum who will be able to answer any questions you may have.