

Item 6: Patient Transport Services

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To: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 28 November 2014

Subject: Patient Transport Services (PTS)

Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided on Patient Transport Services.

It provides additional background information which may prove useful to Members.

1. Introduction

(a) The following is a definition of Patient Transport Services from the Department of Health:

- *Non-emergency patient transport services, known as PTS, are typified by the non-urgent, planned, transportation of patients with a medical need for transport to and from a premises providing NHS healthcare and between NHS healthcare providers. This can and should encompass a wide range of vehicle types and levels of care consistent with the patients' medical needs (Department of Health 2007).*

(b) The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee has considered the subject of PTS on six occasions since the beginning of 2013:

- 1 February 2013
- 11 October 2013
- 31 January 2014
- 11 April 2014
- 18 July 2014
- 5 September 2014

(c) At the end of the discussion on 5 September 2014, the Committee agreed the following recommendation:

- *RESOLVED that the report be noted and that CCG colleagues be invited to attend the November meeting of the Committee.*

2. Recommendation

RECOMMENDED that the report be noted and that CCG colleagues be invited to attend the March meeting of the Committee.

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Background Documents

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