

**SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE**

**18th June, 2008**

Scrutiny Co-ordination  
Committee Members

Present:-  
Councillor Charley  
Councillor Clifford  
Councillor Crookes  
Councillor Duggins  
Councillor Maton  
Councillor Ridge

Employees Present:-  
S. Brake (Community Services Directorate)  
L. Bull (Acting Director of Community Services)  
J. Parry (Assistant Chief Executive)  
C. Steele (Chief Executive's Directorate)  
A. Townsend (Customer and Workforce Services Directorate)  
A. West (Chief Executive's Directorate)

Apologies:-  
Councillor Arrowsmith  
Councillor Mutton

**8. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**9. Consideration of Call-Ins Stage 1**

The Committee noted that no call-ins had been received yet that week. The deadline for call-ins for Cabinet and Cabinet Member decisions made during the week commencing 9th June, 2008, was 9.00 a.m. on Friday 20th June, 2008. Any call-ins received after this meeting and before that deadline would be considered for validity by the Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee in consultation with the Director of Customer and Workforce Services (Paragraph 5.4.5.25.4 of the City Council's Constitution refers).

**10. Foundation Trust Consultation**

The Committee considered a report of the Acting Director of Community Services that considered a response to the consultation undertaken by Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Partnership Trust on its seeking of foundation status in a bid to become a foundation trust in early 2009. The report had previously been considered by the Cabinet at their meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2008, their minute 20/08 refers. The proposed letter of response was tabled at the meeting and would be forwarded to all Elected Members of the Council to give them the opportunity to submit any further observations for possible inclusion in the Council's response.

The officers explained that there was a national move for all NHS Trusts to move to foundation status by 2010 or merge with a trust with foundation status. All three NHS Trusts in the City would be going through this process shortly. The proposed response

supported the move noting specific implications including changes to the governance arrangements to the Trust, the potential for the Trust to raise funds independently and the potential strengthening of patient and public involvement through membership, governance and local appointments of non-executive directors.

**RESOLVED that the Committee have no further comments to make on the draft response and that officers be requested to circulate the draft response to all Members of the Council for any final observations.**

11. **Outstanding Issues**

There were currently no outstanding issues.

12. **Meeting Evaluation**

The Committee briefly discussed the meeting to evaluate its effectiveness. Members commented that information should be made available prior to meetings rather than being tabled at the meetings in the future.

13. **Other Business**

There were no other items of public or private business.