

**Overview and Scrutiny Committee****On 13 March 2006**

Report Title: **Annual Health Check – Submission of Comments by Overview and Scrutiny Committee NHS trusts**

Report of: **Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Wards(s) affected: **All**

Report for: **Non-Key Decision**

**1. Purpose**

1.1 To report on the arrangements for the Committee to submit its comments on the final declarations from local NHS trusts as part of the Annual Health Check process.

**2. Recommendations**

2.1 That authority to submit the comments of the Committee on the final declarations for Haringey TPCT, the North Middlesex Hospital, the Whittington Hospital and Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Mental Health Trust be delegated to the Overview and Scrutiny Manager in consultation with the Chair.

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**3. Report**

3.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is invited to comment on the final declarations of relevant local NHS trusts. Presentations were received at the Health Scrutiny Conference on 1 March on the likely final positions but declarations have not yet been finalised by trusts and are not likely to be so until late March/early April. Feedback from the conference as well as evidence from health scrutiny work undertaken within the reporting period will be used to determine the Committee's comments. As there are no further meetings of the Committee arranged for this Municipal Year, it is recommended that action on this be delegated to officers in consultation with the Chair.

**4. Reasons for any change in policy or for new policy development (if applicable)**

4.1 N/A

**5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

Background papers: none