

COMMITTEE: SCRUTINY BOARD

DATE: 26TH OCTOBER 2004

SUBJECT: REFERENCE FROM COUNCIL - CO-OPTEE FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP TRUST TO THE SOCIAL INCLUSION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE (HEAD OF LOCAL DEMOCRACY)

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IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL	COMMUNITY SAFETY
EQUALITIES	ENVIRONMENT
FINANCIAL	CONSULTATIONS
STAFFING	OTHER

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. The Scrutiny Board is asked to note the report.

REPORT

2. The Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting held on 7 April 2004, considered a report on the Mental Health Partnership Trust (Ref: 7.1). During the ensuing debate the issue of how the Trust would continue to consult the Council, once the Trust had been established, and how future reviews of the service would be undertaken was discussed.
3. Members decided that a member of the Mental Health Partnership Trust's Management Board should be co-opted on to the Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee and referred this matter to the Scrutiny Board.
4. The Scrutiny Board at its meeting on 14th April 2004 considered the matter and resolved that the Council's views be sought on the principle of appointing co-optees onto Scrutiny Committees and that their views be

reported back to the Scrutiny Board and the Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee.

5. The Council, at its meeting on 17th June 2004, re-affirmed it's existing policy (Standing Order 58.1) that every Scrutiny Committee shall be entitled to recommend to the Full Council the appointment of one or more members of the Committee who are not Members of the Council.
6. The Council also resolved that the Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Board be so advised.
7. Members are invited to note the outcome of the Council meeting.
8. In the meantime Members may be interested to note that the Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting on 23rd September 2004, discussed the options and decided to write to the Mental Health Partnership Management Board requesting a nomination for a non-voting co-optee member to join Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee, which they would recommend to Full Council for appointment and resolved that:
 - (i) That the Director of Scrutiny be requested to write to the Mental Health Partnership Management Board requesting a nomination for a non-voting co-optee member to join Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee.
 - (ii) That subject to the outcome of (i) above Council be requested to approve the appointment of a non-voting co-optee member from the Mental Health Partnership Management Board onto the Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee.
9. The Scrutiny Board are invited to note the action taken.

OPTIONS

10. The options open to the Scrutiny Board are to accept or reject the recommendation of the Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, SECTION 100D**

9. Minute and report references:

Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee – SI/04/04/30
Scrutiny Board – SB/04/04/12
Council Minute – C/08/04/99
Social Inclusion Scrutiny Committee – SI/09/04/60