

SUNDERLAND CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP – ‘BETTER HEALTH FOR SUNDERLAND’

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To receive a presentation about the priorities, aims and objectives of the Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).
- 1.2 Representatives of the CCG will be in attendance at the meeting to provide Members with information and progress.

2. Background Information

- 2.1 In October 2012, the Scrutiny Committee received an update about work being undertaken to form the Sunderland CCG. In April 2013, the CCG was officially established.
- 2.2 The Sunderland group, chaired by local GP Dr Ian Pattison, represents 54 GP practices across the area. The group’s board is made up of six GPs who were democratically elected by other doctors at practices across Sunderland. The group has been integrating itself with the local authority, primary care trust, hospital trusts and patient groups to enable effective joint working. Doctors of Sunderland CCG cover five areas that are co-terminus with Sunderland City Council.

3. Current Position

- 3.1 The vision of the CCG is to achieve ‘Better Health for Sunderland’. Its aim is to improve the health and well-being of local people, so they live longer, with a better quality of life. It will do this by reducing the differences in health between people and communities, join up services better across health and social care - all underpinned by effective clinical decision making.
- 3.2 The document ‘Better Health for Sunderland’ was published in May 2013 and outlines the aims and objectives of the CCG in regard to improving the health of Sunderland. The document is attached as **Appendix 1**.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 The Scrutiny Committee is recommended to receive and note the presentation, giving consideration to the aims and objectives of the CCG going forward.

5. Background Papers
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