

**18 May 2015****Agenda Item: 5****REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT QUALITY ACCOUNTS: SHERWOOD FOREST  
HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST AND DONCASTER & BASSETLAW  
HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST****Purpose of the Report**

1. To introduce the draft Quality Accounts of Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for consideration and comment.

**Information and Advice**

2. Providers of NHS healthcare services in England, including the independent sector, are required to publish an annual Quality Account.
3. The purpose of the Quality Account report is for the healthcare service provider to assess quality across all of the healthcare services it offers by reporting information on performance across the year and identifying priorities for improvement during the forthcoming year, and how they will be achieved and measured.
4. Under the National Health Service (Quality Accounts) Regulations 2010 (amended by The National Health Service (Quality Accounts) Amendment Regulations 2012) healthcare providers publishing Quality Accounts are required to send a draft of the Quality Account to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the local authority in whose area the provider has its registered or principal office is located, and invite comments on the document.
5. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee may, if it wishes, provide a written statement outlining its views on the document. Providers are legally obliged to publish this statement (of less than 1000 words) as part of their Quality Account. The Department of Health's guidance '*Quality Accounts: A guide for Overview and Scrutiny Committee*' is attached at Appendix A.
6. Providers must send their Quality Account to the relevant OSC by 30 April each year. The Department of Health requires that providers submit their final Quality Account by 30 June each year.
7. Rick Dickinson, Deputy Director of Quality and Governance Doncaster & Bassetlaw CCG and Susan Bowler, Executive Director Nursing and Quality Sherwood Forest Hospitals Foundation Trust will attend Health Scrutiny to present the draft Quality Account and answer questions.

8. The draft Quality Accounts of the Sherwood Forest Hospitals Trusts is attached as appendix B to this report. The draft Quality Account of Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust will be forwarded as soon as possible.
9. It is requested that Members indicate to the officers supporting health scrutiny the points to be included within the comment, should they wish to make one. The comment can then be drafted, subject to any correction or amendment by Chair and Vice-Chair before being circulated to the whole committee for agreement, and finally onward transmission to

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- i) Consider the draft Quality Accounts
- ii) ask questions about the information received
- iii) Indicate points for the comment to be included within the published version of the Quality Accounts (or decline to make a comment)

**Councillor Colleen Harwood**  
**Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee**

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## **Background Papers**

Nil

## **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All