

WEST MIDLANDS AMBULANCE SERVICE IN HEREFORDSHIRE - SCRUTINY REVIEW

**Report By: Assistant Chief Executive – Legal and
Democratic**

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

1. To consider the report of the scrutiny review of the West Midlands Ambulance Service in Herefordshire.

Financial Implications

2. This is dependent on decisions made in response to the review's recommendations.

Background

3. In response to a number of requests from the public the Committee agreed in September 2008 that a formal review be undertaken of the service provided by the West Midlands Ambulance Service (WMAS) NHS Trust in Herefordshire with particular reference to the Market Towns of Ledbury (postcode HR8) and Ross-on-Wye (postcode (HR9), with the added intention of ensuring that there is no drift of resource from Herefordshire to other parts of the West Midlands Region following the creation of the regional WMAS NHS Trust.
4. A scoping statement for this work was circulated to Members of the Committee for comment. The report of the review including the recommendations is appended.

RECOMMENDATION

- THAT (a) the Committee considers whether it wishes to agree the findings of the review of West Midlands Ambulance service in Herefordshire for submission to relevant Health Service bodies;**
- (b) subject to the Review being approved, the response to the Review be reported to the first available meeting of the Committee; and**
- (c) a further report on progress in response to the Review then be made after six months with consideration then being given to the need for any further reports to be made.**

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- None

Further information on the subject of this report is available from
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