



NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

8 SEPTEMBER 2014

BRIEFING NOTE:

SCRUTINY PANEL 1 – INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Since the last meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the first evidence gathering meeting of the Scrutiny Panel has taken place.

2 UPDATE

- 2.1 At the meeting of the Scrutiny Panel held on 21 July 2014, Councillors received a comprehensive presentation that set the scene, identifying the prevalence of the problem locally. Research papers and reports in respect of the Interpersonal violence (domestic violence) were received. The Scrutiny Panel also received details of a presentation that had been given to a recent meeting of Northamptonshire County Council's Health, Adult Care and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee on how domestic violence is addressed in the county.
- 2.2 The Community Impact Assessment (CIA) for this review was approved and has been published on the Overview and Scrutiny [WebPage](#).
- 2.3 Councillor Sally Beardsworth was elected Deputy-Chair of the Scrutiny Panel. DCI Steve Lingley, Northants Police, has been co-opted to the Scrutiny Panel. A representative of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has also accepted the invitation to be co-opted to the review.
- 2.4 Further evidence gathering meetings of the Scrutiny Panel are scheduled, the next meeting will be held on 18 September 2014.
- 2.5 It is envisaged that the review will conclude in March 2015; with the report of the Scrutiny Panel presented to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its meeting scheduled for 23 March 2015.

3 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That the update is noted.

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