

# **Adult Services Scrutiny Performance Panel**

## **Terms of Reference**

### **1. Why this topic is important?**

- The service is undergoing major change and it is vital that performance is maintained and that further improvements are made across all areas of the service
- It is an area of high demand from an ageing population and high spend - there are significant financial pressures in this service area
- Safeguarding is a corporate priority area.
- Because of key partnership relationships.

### **2. What is the purpose of the Panel?**

The Panel will:

- Require and receive relevant performance reports to monitor and challenge assessments on, and outcomes of service performance and quality in respect of adult social services
- Assist the Executive in containing departmental spend in this high spend, demand led service area
- Consider best practice in other organisations
- Engage the third sector and other providers involved in the delivery of adult services
- Hold the Executive to account
- Consider the performance of Western Bay, regionally provided services and the impact of the integrated health and social care fund
- On behalf of the Panel, the convener will write to the relevant Cabinet Member raising issues of concern, comments and recommendations as appropriate following Panel meetings
- Report on progress to the Scrutiny Programme Committee on a regular basis throughout the year. The Panel may also raise issues, as appropriate, with the Committee.

**3. Meetings:**

The Panel will meet on a monthly basis.

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