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**OVERVIEW OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

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1. Since the last meeting of the Council, the following are the main areas of work the Social Affairs and Health Scrutiny Committee has undertaken:

- (a) **Policy Review – Review of Progress on the Implementation of Recommendations from the Community Equipment Services Review** – We received a progress report on the changes taking place across the Home Equipment Loans service and will continue to monitor the impact of this on departmental performance indicators and delayed transfers of care figures from hospital.

There are still some outstanding recommendations from our original report, although it is pleasing to report that much work is ongoing to address these areas, in particular, the development of an equipment shop at the new Hundens Rehabilitation Centre.

- (b) **Work Programme** – We continue to examine the Forward Plan in identifying any areas of interest or concern and have programmed in a number of external health issues for scrutiny over the forthcoming Municipal Year.

We continue to look at better ways of working and will also consider a new approach the NHS Annual Health Check process this year.

- (c) **Review Group Topic 2006/07** – Following a number of suggestions from Members, a special meeting will be held on 13th July to discuss the detail of the Committee's Review in the area of mental health and well-being.

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