

## QUAD OF AIMS (MEMBERS' REQUEST FOR ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED BY SCRUTINY)

### PROCESS FOR ADDING AN ITEM TO SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S PREVIOUSLY APPROVED WORK PROGRAMME

#### SECTION 1 TO BE COMPLETED BY MEMBERS

**NOTE** – This document should only be completed if there is a clearly defined and significant outcome from any potential further work. This document should **not** be completed as a request for or understanding of information.

REASON FOR REQUEST?	RESOURCE (WHAT OFFICER SUPPORT WOULD YOU REQUIRE?)
<p>To achieve better health outcomes and reduction in council expenditure through comprehensive awareness and participation initiatives offering key ways to decrease the negative far-reaching contribution of chronic inflammation, which is by far one of the main causes in a vast number of illnesses, of mind and body.</p>	<p>Miriam Davidson, Director of Public Health Ken Ross, Public Health Specialist Any officers with responsibility for emphasising early preventative measures rather than addressing late outcomes in health and wellbeing management. Admin support from Democratic Services</p>
PROCESS (HOW CAN SCRUTINY ACHIEVE THE ANTICIPATED OUTCOME?)	HOW WILL THE OUTCOME MAKE A DIFFERENCE?
<p>By fostering a clear focus on prevention of illness in all areas of its reach within health provision and by encouraging setting up of awareness and participation initiatives throughout Darlington and surroundings through close collaboration with the NHS, Health Watch and associated organisations.</p>	<p>The potential positive outcome is substantial over time: A reduction of admission to hospitals; A reduction of need in adult and children's social care; A reduction of severity of symptoms; An advancement in health equality; Motivation and engagement of participants to play an active role in their own</p>

	health outcomes; A significant lowering of expenditure on health care provision
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Signed Councillor Kate Mammolotti

Date 20 August 2023

**SECTION 2 TO BE COMPLETED BY DIRECTORS/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS**  
(NOTE – There is an expectation that Officers will discuss the request with the Member)

	Criteria
<p>1. (a) Is the information available elsewhere? <b>Yes</b></p> <p>If yes, please indicate where the information can be found (attach if possible and return with this document to Democratic Services)</p> <p><b>There is information about the range of inflammatory diseases and conditions along with the contributory factors available through local and national statistics and data and is included in the Darlington Health Profile which is reported to Scrutiny annually.</b></p> <p>(b) Have you already provided the information to the Member or will you shortly be doing so?</p> <p><b>This specific information has not yet been provided to the member however a meeting will be arranged to go through this data and information in more detail.</b></p>	<p>1. Information already provided/or will be provided to Member</p> <p>2. Extent of workload involved in meeting request</p> <p>3. Request linked to an ongoing Scrutiny Committee item of work and can be picked up as part of that work</p>
<p>2. If the request is included in the Scrutiny Committee work programme what are the likely workload implications for you/your staff?</p> <p><b>This will somewhat complement work already underway around the development of the Public Health Plan, Health and Wellbeing Strategy.</b></p>	<p>4. Subject to another Council process for enquiry or examination (such as Planning Committee or Licensing Committee)</p>
<p>3. Can the request be included in an ongoing Scrutiny Committee item of work and picked up as part of that?</p> <p><b>It could potentially be picked up as part of the response to the Darlington Health Profile such as a task and finish group looking at the specific inflammatory diseases, once agreement has been reached about which inflammatory diseases are</b></p>	<p>5. About an individual or entity that has a right of appeal</p> <p>6. Some other substantial reason</p>

<p><b>within scope.</b></p> <p>4. Is there another Council process for enquiry or examination about the matter currently underway?</p> <p><b>Not specifically although the Health and Wellbeing Strategy/Plan being developed by the Health and Wellbeing Board will have a focus on Health Inequalities and may include some of the inflammatory diseases and conditions and the inequalities in terms of contributory factors, access to care and outcomes due to these conditions</b></p> <p>5. Has the individual or entity some other right of appeal?</p> <p><b>Not applicable</b></p> <p>6. Is there any substantial reason (other than the above) why you feel it should not be included on the work programme?</p> <p><b>No however needs more definition of inflammation as there are a broad range of diseases which are inflammatory.</b></p>	
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**Signed** Ken Ross/Miriam Davidson    **Position** Public Health Specialist/Interim Director of Public Health    **Date** 21 September 2023