

Brighton & Hove City Council

Scrutiny Report Template

Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Agenda Item 37

Subject: NHS Palliative Care Offer for People in Brighton & Hove

Date of meeting: 23 April 2025

Report of: Chair of the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

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Ward(s) affected: (All Wards);

Key Decision: No

For general release

1. Purpose of the report and policy context

1.1 This report provides an overview of NHS palliative care and hospice provision for people living in Brighton & Hove. It was compiled by NHS Sussex Integrated Care Board, NHS Providers, and Martlets Hospice (who receive a grant from NHS Sussex). (see Appendix 1).

1.2 The report is provided in response for a request from HOSC members for more information on the palliative care available to city residents.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Health Overview & Scrutiny notes the contents of this report and its Appendix.

3. Context and background information

3.1 Palliative and end of life care is care provided to people nearing the end of their lives or with progressive illnesses. This includes care delivered in hospitals, but also via primary care and community services. Appendix 1 contains a paper jointly authored by NHS Sussex, which commissions palliative and end of life services; and service providers including University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust; Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust; and Martlets.

4. Analysis and consideration of alternative options

4.1 Not relevant for this report for information.

5. Community engagement and consultation

5.1 None directly. Community & Voluntary Sector partners have been involved in the drafting of Appendix 1 to this report.

6. Financial implications

6.1 No financial implications have been identified as arising from this report, which is for information only.

Name of finance officer consulted: Ishemupenyu Chagonda Date consulted (14/04/2025):

7. Legal implications

7.1 No legal implications have been identified as arising from this report, which is for noting only.

Name of lawyer consulted: Victoria Simpson Date consulted 7.04.25

8. Equalities implications

8.1 None directly for this information report.

9. Sustainability implications

9.1 None directly for this information report.

10. Health and Wellbeing Implications:

10.1 None directly for this information report.

Other Implications

11. Procurement implications

11.1 None directly for this information report.

12. Crime & disorder implications:

12.1 None identified.

13. Conclusion

13.1 Members are asked to note the contents of this report outlining NHS palliative care services for people living in Brighton & Hove.

Supporting Documentation

1. Appendices

1. Information on NHS palliative care in Brighton & Hove provided by health and care system partners.

