



Meeting: **Health and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Date/Time: **Wednesday, 9 September 2026 at 2.00 pm**

Location: **Sparkenhoe Committee Room, County Hall, Glenfield**

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Membership

Dr. S. Hill CC (Chairman)

Mr. M. Durrani CC	Dr. D. North CC
Mr. P. King CC	Mr. D. Page CC
Mrs. K. Knight CC	Mr. B. Piper CC
Mr. J. Miah CC	Mr J. Poland CC
Mr. P. Morris CC	Mr. K. Robinson CC
Mr. M. T. Mullaney CC	Mr. C. Whitford CC

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AGENDA

<u>Item</u>	<u>Report by</u>
1. Minutes of the meeting held on 3 June 2026.	(Pages 5 - 14)
2. Question Time.	
3. Questions asked by members under Standing Order 32(1).	



4. To advise of any other items which the Chairman has decided to take as urgent elsewhere on the agenda.
5. Declarations of interest.
6. Declarations of the Party Whip in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16.
7. Presentation of Petitions under Standing Order 33.
8. Winter Pressures Integrated Care Board (Pages 15 - 16)
9. Healthwatch Leicester and Leicestershire Annual Report 2025/26. Healthwatch (Pages 17 - 24)
10. Health, Public Health and Communities Performance update. Director of Public Health, Communities, Law and Governance (Pages 25 - 42)
11. Dates of future meetings.

Future meetings of the Committee are scheduled to take place on the following dates all at 2.00pm:

Wednesday 4 November 2026;
 Wednesday 20 January 2027;
 Wednesday 3 March 2027;
 Wednesday 9 June 2027;
 Wednesday 8 September 2027;
 Wednesday 3 November 2027.

12. Any other items which the Chairman has decided to take as urgent.

QUESTIONING BY MEMBERS OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

The ability to ask good, pertinent questions lies at the heart of successful and effective scrutiny. To support members with this, a range of resources, including guides to questioning, are available via the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny website www.cfgs.org.uk. The following questions have been agreed by Scrutiny members as a good starting point for developing questions:

- Who was consulted and what were they consulted on? What is the process for and quality of the consultation?
- How have the voices of local people and frontline staff been heard?
- What does success look like?
- What is the history of the service and what will be different this time?
- What happens once the money is spent?
- If the service model is changing, has the previous service model been evaluated?
- What evaluation arrangements are in place – will there be an annual review?

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