(Agreed at Annual Council 18 May 2023)

Extract from Constitution

Part 3.5 - Terms of Reference of Council and Committees

Caring Sub-Committee Membership – 12 Quorum – 3

Terms of Reference

In relation to adult care, community services, health and wellbeing, mental health and emotional wellbeing, healthy lifestyles, welfare of vulnerable adults, older people, access to health services, benefits, independent living, personalisation, financial inclusion, public health and carers, the Caring Sub-committee will:

- 1. Scrutinise relevant budget monitoring and performance management information.
- 2. Contribute to the decision making process by examining key policy issues and making reports and recommendations on them to the Elected Mayor, Cabinet and or other relevant decision makers prior to decisions being made.
- 3. Conduct in-depth investigations in relation to topics of interest and concern to communities in North Tyneside.
- 4. Seek to involve communities in its work and reflect their views and concerns.
- 5. Present evidence based recommendations to the Elected Mayor, Cabinet and partner organisations to support them in the formulation of their future plans, strategies and decision making.
- 6. Monitor the impact of its reports and recommendations on service improvement.
- 7. On an annual basis undertake the challenge of the Cabinet's budget and strategic planning proposals (see Part 4.7 - Budget and Policy Framework Rules of Procedure).
- 8. Discharge the Authority's powers of review and scrutiny on such health related matters as designated within the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and associated regulations.
- 9. Discharge the Authority's powers of referral to the Secretary of State in relation to proposals for reconfiguration of health services.
- 10. Unless in exceptional circumstances where the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordination and Finance Committee agree otherwise,

submit any reports and recommendations to the Overview and Scrutiny Coordination and Finance Committee prior to submission to Cabinet, Council, an individual or outside organisation.