



Agenda Item Introduction

Committee	POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE
Date	4 SEPTEMBER 2023
Topic	DENTISTRY ON THE ISLE OF WIGHT

BACKGROUND

Island residents continue to struggle to access dental services, and the existing health inequalities which already exist on the Island. The proportion of our population accessing dentistry services across the Isle of Wight is slightly lower than other parts of Hampshire.

Dentistry concerns have been reported upon regularly by Healthwatch Isle of Wight, who recently attended a roundtable event in Westminster on 7 June 2023, and who were able to feed directly into the inquiry and highlight the particular issues faced as an island community.

FOCUS FOR SCRUTINY

- How is the Isle of Wight ICB fully addressing the islands dentistry needs?
- How has the Isle of Wight ICB responded to the recommendations made in the report published by the Health and Social Care Select Committee in July 2023?

APPROACH

The committee to receive an update on the current situation with dentistry from the ICB and to hear patient feedback via Healthwatch Isle of Wight.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED

Appendix 1 – Update on Dentistry

Appendix 2 – Healthwatch Isle of Wight Intelligence Report – Dental Services

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