

# Agenda Item Introduction

Committee	<b>POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE</b>
Date	<b>4 MARCH 2024</b>
Topic	<b>MOUNTBATTEN HOSPICE</b>

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## Background

1. The Mountbatten Group comprises of Mountbatten Isle of Wight and Mountbatten Hampshire, which are run as separate charities supported by the local communities. The annual cost to provide Mountbatten's services across the group is £21 million - £10.5million each.
2. On 25 January 2024, the Chief Executive of Mountbatten issued a statement regarding government funding for hospices. A third of Mountbatten's funding comes from the NHS and the remainder comes from fundraised income. NHS funding will be down by £800,000 in April 2024 due to no uplift.
3. Mountbatten is currently supporting around 3,500 people across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight (1,500 Hampshire and 2,000 Isle of Wight). A further 40% growth is anticipated over the coming years, mainly due to the increasing older population.

## Focus for Scrutiny

4. What are the biggest challenges in relation to funding?
5. How successful is the fundraising market?
6. Is there any national guidance for ICBs on how they should be funding end of life care?
7. Are there other hospices to benchmark against in terms of a successful funding approach?
8. How can the committee support in raising awareness?

## Approach

9. To receive a verbal presentation from the Chief Executive Officer of Mountbatten, Nigel Hartley MBE.

## **Document(s) Attached**

10. Appendix 1 – AAPG Government Funding for Hospices, February 2024

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