**Healthwatch Waltham Forest Committee**

**Are you interested in becoming part of Healthwatch Waltham Forest?  We are looking for people with local knowledge and experience and a passion for promoting better health and social care for local people.**

**The Role of the Committee:**

The committee informs strategy, provides scrutiny and oversight, and approves policies and procedures that are needed for us to work effectively.

The committee is an advisory body supporting the staff team and Your Voice in Health and Social Care to deliver Healthwatch activities. Overseeing Healthwatch Waltham Forest’s strategic direction, monitoring and advising the progress of Healthwatch Waltham Forest against its work plan.

You will be responsible for shaping the future organisation of Healthwatch Waltham Forest and establishing the basis for building a large local membership from all communities entitled to health care in the Borough.  Healthwatch Waltham Forest needs strong leadership to enable it to make a real difference.

All governance, finance, staffing and contractual obligations rest with YVHSC.

**Mission Statement:**

Healthwatch Waltham Forest will enable people, communities and organisations in Waltham Forest to have a say and influence the planning, commissioning and delivery of health and social care services to improve the health and wellbeing of patients, public and service users.

**Core attributes and skills:**

* Purpose of Role:
* Strategic and solution focused
* Good communicator and good interpersonal skills
* Analytical skills and intellect
* Understanding of health, social care and equality legislation and policy
* Understanding of good governance
* Public-spirited
* Computer literate