

Narcotics Anonymous - Open meeting, dated 23rd May 2004

The Chairman and Mike Haden, Scrutiny Officer, attended an open meeting with **Narcotics Anonymous** on **Sunday 23rd May 2004**. It was not appropriate to take detailed notes during the meeting.

Members of NA testified to the personal support they gained through membership of NA. They also spoke about their experience of ADS and Silkworth treatment programmes. They strongly advocated abstinence as the only safe approach to addiction.

A clear message was the need for better co-ordination between the services and for better after-care support for addicts wishing to give up their addiction.