

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

17 DECEMBER 2015

WORK PROGRAMME

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Summary

This report advises Members of the current work programme for discussion in the light of latest priorities, issues and circumstances. This report gives Members the opportunity to shape and direct the Committee's activities.

1. Budget and Policy Framework

1.1 Under Chapter 4 – Rules, paragraph 22.1 (v) General Terms of Reference, each overview and scrutiny committee has the responsibility for setting its own work programme.

2. Background

2.1 Appendix 1 to this report sets out the existing work programme for the Committee.

3. Agenda planning meeting

3.1 Members will be aware that Overview and Scrutiny Committees hold agenda planning meetings on a regular basis. An agenda planning meeting was held on 26 November 2015 and the following was agreed:

- To add to the business for this meeting the following items:
 - Intermediate care beds
 - Joint report on complete pathway of care from admission to discharge
 - Personality disorder service - closure
 - Neuro-rehabilitation unit, Sevenoaks, closure

It was proposed that the report on access to televisions at Medway Maritime Hospital would be dealt with as a briefing note.

- It was recommended that there is a report from South East Coast Ambulance Trust (see paragraph 5 below) and an update on patient transport to 17 March 2016 meeting
- It was suggested that the Health and Wellbeing Board should be held to account on 26 March 2016 on progress against priorities in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, to include an update from the planned Health and Wellbeing Board workshop to be held on 26 January 2016 on system performance across health and social care
- Dementia commissioning intentions – the report will be reprogrammed to being considered on 26 January 2016 so the work programme will be adjusted accordingly
- An organised visit to a selection of Medway venues by Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust is planned for 1.30pm on 21 January 2016 with the Deputy Director, Children and Adults Services, and the Consultant in Public Health in attendance. Anyone interested in attending will need to contact the Democratic Services Officer by no later than 5 January 2016.

4 Forward Plan

- 4.1. The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 16 November 2015:

<http://democracy.medway.gov.uk/mgListPlanItems.aspx?PlanId=238&RP=115>

- 4.2. The following items listed on the forward plan relate to the terms of reference of this Committee. The Committee is asked to identify any items it may wish to consider as pre-decision scrutiny (where dates permit) in addition to those listed in Appendix 1.

| Cabinet date | Title | Comment |
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| 12 January 2016 | Annual Public Health Report | As the topic for this report is children's health this will be considered at a meeting of Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Committee |
| 9 February 2016 | Dementia Strategy – Approval of commissioning intentions | Already programmed for this Committee |
| 8 March 2016 | Gateway 3 Contract Award: Home Care and Flexi Care Project | |
| 8 March 2016 | Gateway 4 Report: Family Group Conference | Also Children and Young People OSC |

5. South East Coast Ambulance Trust (SECAMb)

- 5.1. On 30 October 2015 it was announced that the South East Coast Ambulance Trust were being investigated following the implementation of a pilot project introduced by the Trust to delay sending help for certain 111 calls and transferring them to the 999 system thereby gaining an additional 10 minutes in which to respond.
- 5.2. As part of the pilot from December 2014 to February, the trust transferred some calls between systems to re-assess what type of advice or treatment patients needed and whether an ambulance was really required.
- 5.3. A letter, dated 5 November 2015, from the Chief Executive of the South East Coast Ambulance Trust has since been received following the publication of a review by NHS England into a breach in the conditions of the licence.
- 5.4. A further briefing note was received from SECAMb explaining in more detail the Trust's position with regards to 'stopping the clock' in terms of not dispatching an ambulance if the person requiring medical assistance is within close proximity of a defibrillator.
- 5.5. At the pre-agenda meeting it was suggested that initially a letter is sent to the Chief Executive of SECAMb expressing concerns about the pilot but requesting that he attends a meeting of the Committee on 17 March 2016, to update further on the action plan being developed by the Trust,

6. Update on selection of Task Group topics for 2016

- 6.1. Following discussion by each Overview and Scrutiny Committee over the Summer and an informal meeting in November to which all Overview and Scrutiny Chairmen, Vice Chairmen and Oppositions Spokespersons were invited the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been recommended to agree that the programme of Task Group topics for 2016 should be as follows:

Review two (to follow the Task Group on Housing: demand, supply and affordability) to be lead by the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

- **How far has Medway gone in developing a dementia friendly community?**

Review three to be cross-cutting with membership drawn from the Children and Young People and Regeneration, Community and Culture Overview and Scrutiny Committees:

- **Employment Opportunities for 18-21 year olds (including apprenticeships)**

7. Joint Health Scrutiny Committee with Kent County Council

7.1. A joint Health Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) has been set up with Kent County Council on the following topics:

- Stroke services review
- Vascular services review

It is likely that urgent care review will be added to this in due course.

7.2. The first meeting of the JHOSC will take place on 8 January 2016 at 10.00am at County Hall in Maidstone. Prior to the JHOSC taking place some Members of the JHOSC have attended deliberative events where stakeholders had been invited to a workshop to discuss priorities in relation to stroke services.

8. Rochester Community Healthy Living Centre (Green suite) Delce Road, Rochester ME1 2EL

8.1. A letter has been received from NHS England South (South East) relating to planned changes at the above surgery. This is because a temporary contract held by Dr Gilbert and Partners to manage services at the centre is coming to an end on 31 March 2016. The relevant ward Members have been notified.

8.2. NHS England is working with NHS Medway Clinical Commissioning Group and other stakeholders to identify the best available option to ensure patients have continued access to a full range of GP services and care after that date.

8.3. It is possible that patients will need to register with a new GP practice in order to secure their future care. If this is the case patients will be given as much notice and support as possible. There are around 1,700 patients registered at the Centre all of whom will have been advised of the situation and feedback has been requested to NHS England.

8.4. A meeting of the Commissioning Panel will take place on 23 December at 1pm at Wharf House, Tonbridge, to which the Chairman has been invited.

9. Review of 'blue light' conveyances for Swale residents

9.1. Notification has been received of a report from NHS England on a review of 'blue light' conveyances (people arriving in an emergency situation by ambulance or any other means at Accident and Emergency) for Swale residents. This report will need to be programmed for the January 2016 meeting and will also be presented to Kent's Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

10. Anti-Coagulation clinic opening times

10.1. A booklet has been received, from Medway Community Healthcare notifying the Committee of changes to anti-coagulation clinic opening times across Medway. This has been circulated to all Members of the Committee by email.

11. Financial and Legal Implications

11.1. There are no specific financial or legal implications arising from this report.

12. Recommendations

12.1. Members are asked to consider whether any changes need to be made to the work programme attached at Appendix 1 to the report, subject to the additions detailed in paragraph 3.1 of the report;

12.2. Members are asked to agree that an initial letter is sent by the Chairman to the Chief Executive of South East Coast Ambulance Trust expressing the Committee's concerns about the issues set out in paragraph 5 above, requesting his attendance at the meeting on 17 March 2016 to update the Committee on progress against the action plan developed by the Trust in response to the conditions imposed.

12.3. Members are asked to note the update on selection of in-depth review topics set out in paragraph 6 above.

12.4. Members are asked to note that there will be a visit to a selection of Medway based KMPT premises open to all Members of the Committee organised for 1.30pm on Thursday 21 January 2016.

12.5. Members are asked to note the details of the changes at Rochester Community Healthy Living Centre in Delce as set out in paragraph 8 above.

12.6. Members are asked to add to the work programme for the 26 January 2016 meeting a report on a review of 'blue light' conveyances for Swale residents.

12.7. Members are asked to note that information on changes to the anti-coagulation clinic opening times across Medway have been circulated.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 – work programme

Background papers:

Letter dated 5 November 2015 from SECAMB

Briefing on defibrillators from SECAMB dated November 2015

**Work Programme
Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

| 26 JANUARY 2016 | | | |
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| Dementia Commissioning intentions | Pre-decision scrutiny | Head of Partnership Commissioning | |
| Acute mental health inpatient bed update | Community issue | Chief Clinical Officer NHS Medway CCG/Chief Executive, KMPT | To scrutinise progress on the implementation plan (and every other meeting until further notice) |

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| Council Plan Monitoring Q3 (2014/15) | Performance reviews | Director of Children and Adult Services | To scrutinise the performance against council plan monitoring in relation to indicators that fall within the remit of this committee. |

| DATE TO BE DETERMINED | | | |
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| Update on the priorities of the Health and Wellbeing Board for 2015/2016 | Holding to account | | Likely to be March 2016 – see report |
| Urgent Care Review | Community issue | | |
| Mortality figures from Medway Maritime Hospital | Community issue | To be agreed | To scrutinise progress by the independent working group set up to consider mortality figures for the hospital (*every six months from 28/01/2014) |
| Further information on public access defibrillators | Community issue | Director of Corporate Affairs & Service Development - SECamb | To receive further feasibility study on Public Access Defibrillators |

Note: Six monthly updates were requested by means of briefing notes on the action plans from the Mortality Working Group – starting July 2013 (next update to be dealt with at the Member briefing scheduled for early New Year) and *subsequently to coincide with attendance by Chief Executive of Hospital.

Dates of future meetings:

26 January 2016, 17 March 2016

Items yet to be programmed:

- (request for joint meeting with Children and Young People’s Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be arranged to consider transition for adolescents with mental health problems and young people with disabilities 0-25 year age group).
- Urgent Care review

Work completed in 2015/2016:

31 March 2015

- Acute mental health inpatient bed update
- CQC – Approach to Inspection of GP Services
- Quarter 3 Council Plan monitoring
- SECamb report back and update on Emergency Control Centres
- Member item – Community meals project
- Patient transport update
- Urgent Care Review Update

23 June 2015

- Acute mental health inpatient bed update
- Adult Complaints Annual Report
- Attendance of new Chief executive and Chair of Medway NHS Foundation Trust
- Update on Care Act
- Member item – Councillor Purdy – Care in the Community

27 October 2015

All Member briefing on primary care services

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| Television access in Medway Maritime Hospital | Community issue | Chief Executive, Medway NHS Foundation Trust | Dealt with as a briefing note |
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