

# HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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## **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, giving Members the opportunity to shape and direct the Committee's activities.

#### **1. Budget and Policy Framework**

1.1 Under Chapter 4 – Rules, Part 4 paragraph 21.1 (xv) 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 3 August 2017. It was confirmed at this meeting that the update on the Integrated Urgent Care Redesign, that had been due to be presented to the October meeting of the Committee, would be brought forward to August. This was to enable Medway NHS Clinical Commissioning Group to get the Committee's view on the revised consultation and engagement proposals.

3.2 It was confirmed that presentation of the Medway Mental Health Strategy would need to be deferred to a future meeting of the Committee as the Strategy would not be ready for presentation in August.

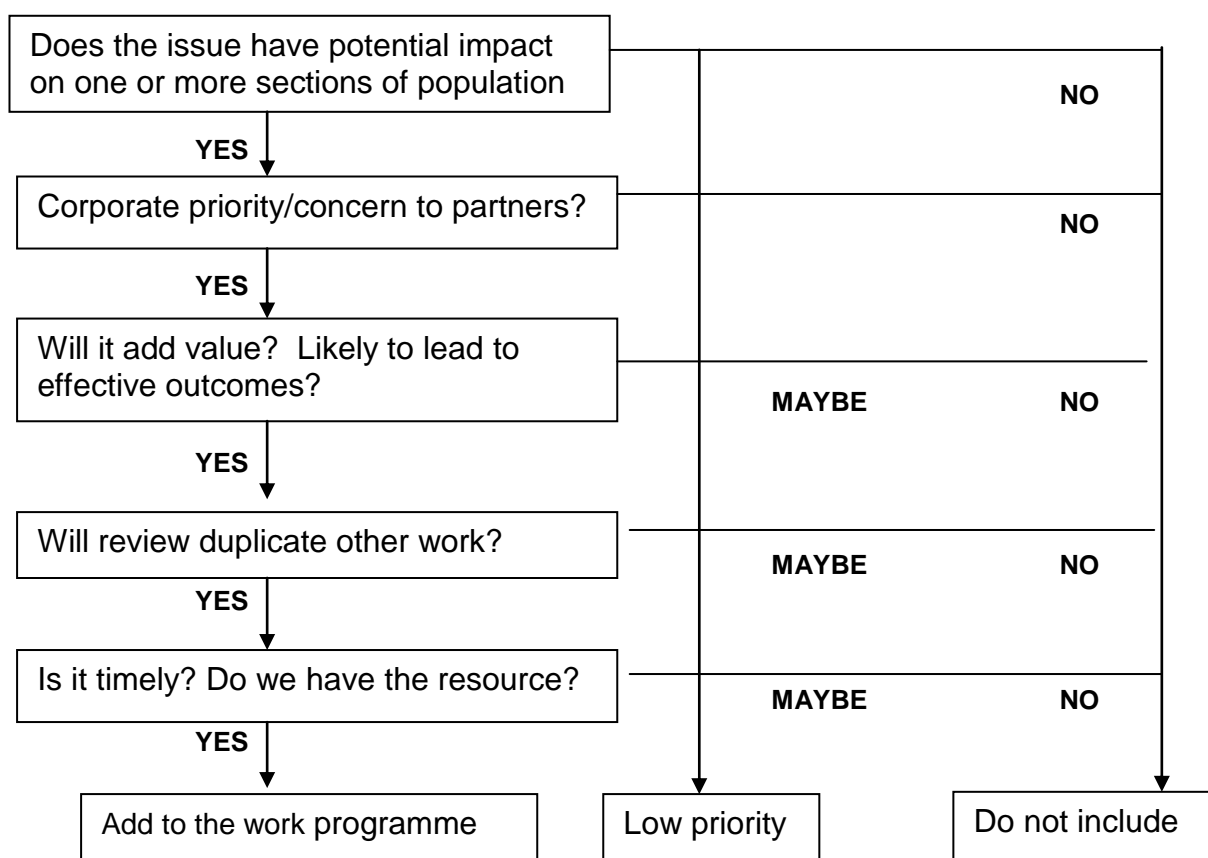
3.3 It was also agreed at the agenda planning meeting that an update on Community Health Services Reprocurement would be requested for the October meeting as well as an update on Patient Transport.

3.4 Since the agenda planning meeting, in view of the publication of the Professor Lewis report into bullying and harassment at South East Coast Ambulance Service (SECAMB) and the publicity around it, the Chairman has requested that SECAMB is asked to attend the October Committee meeting.

#### 4. Selection of topics for next round of Scrutiny Task Groups

4.1 Since 2011 Medway Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees have operated a systematic and criteria based approach to the selection of topics for Scrutiny Task Groups.

##### Questions to ask when prioritising topics for review



4.2 At the last meeting of the Committee Members were invited to submit ideas for topics for the next round of Task Groups in 2018/19, using the criteria based template previously adopted for this process. The topics suggested by each Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be discussed at an informal meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairmen, Vice Chairmen and Opposition Spokespersons at the end of October and then submitted for consideration and prioritisation by the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 30 November.

4.3 At the agenda planning meeting it was agreed to put forward to the Committee three topics for consideration as possible Task Group reviews in 2018/19. The topics are:

- Physical Activity
- Social Isolation (impact for the Council)
- Support and Resources for Carers

4.4 The templates setting out the rationale for these suggestions are attached as Appendices 2, 3 and 4. A review of Physical Activity would be a cross – cutting review for the Regeneration, Culture and Environment, Children and Young People and Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committees. Social Isolation and Support and Resources for Carers would be a review led by this Committee. The Committee is asked to consider which topics it would like to put forward for further consideration.

4.5 Transition from children’s to adult services was also discussed at the Pre-Agenda meeting as a potential Task Group topic. This was in relation to children who receive specific services, such as being a Looked After Child, or receiving mental health services or Early Intervention provision. Following further discussion with the Chairman, it is proposed that consideration is given to receiving an update on the issues at this Committee.

## **5. Joint Health Scrutiny Committee with Kent County Council (JHOSC)**

5.1 The Chairman of this Committee is, along with the Chairman of the Kent HOSC, due to meet with NHS colleagues on 31 August. This meeting will discuss progress in relation to the Kent and Medway Hyper Acute and Acute Stroke Services Review and the Kent and Medway Vascular Services review. It is anticipated that a date for the next JHOSC will be set following this meeting.

## **6. South East Coast Ambulance Service (SECAMB) Regional Scrutiny Sub-Group**

6.1 A meeting of a Sub-Group, established by the South East Regional Health Scrutiny Network to undertake scrutiny of SECAMB, took place on 26 June. Establishment of the Sub-Group followed SECAMB having received an overall rating of ‘inadequate’ in the Care Quality Commission’s (CQC) inspection findings that were published on 29 September 2016.

6.2 The Sub-Group was advised that the Care Quality Commission had undertaken a re-inspection in May with inspectors having looked at 999, emergency services, Hazardous Area Response Team (HART) and 111. The Sub-Group was also updated on the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP), performance data, including Trust finances and staffing, the Surge Management Plan and on SECAMB’s Five Year Strategic Plan.

6.3 Minutes of the June meeting are attached as Appendix 5. The next meeting of the Sub-Group is due to take place in October. This will be presented with the findings of the CQC report resulting from the May inspection.

## **7. South East Regional Health Overview and Scrutiny (HOSC) Network**

7.1 A meeting of the South East Regional Health Overview and Scrutiny (HOSC) Network took place on 24 July. The network meetings are normally attended by Chairmen and health scrutiny officers from Medway, Kent, East Sussex, West Sussex, Surrey and Brighton and Hove. The meeting was provided with updates from NHS England, NHS Property Services and the Care Quality Commission.

7.2 Minutes of the meeting will be circulated to the Committee when available. The next Network meeting is due to take place in either November or January.

This is due to be provided with updates from the Care Quality Commission, NHS England / NHS Improvement as well as a further update on the STP.

## 8. Forward Plan

- 8.1 The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 7 August 2017.
- 8.2 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).

<b>Cabinet date</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Comment</b>
26 September	<b>Council Plan Quarter 1 2017/18 Performance Monitoring Report</b> <i>To report on the latest monitoring position.</i>	On Committee Work Programme for October 2017 meeting
24 October	<b>Medway Commercial Group Performance Monitoring Report</b> <i>This report will set out details of performance for the latest monitoring period for Medway Commercial Group Ltd, which provides the Medway Control Centre Services, and associated personal safety services such as Telecare and lone-working, as well as traded services approved by Cabinet in 2017.</i>	
21 November	<b>Council Plan Quarter 2 2017/18 Performance Monitoring Report</b> <i>To report on the latest monitoring position.</i>	On Committee Work Programme for December 2017 meeting
21 November	<b>Draft Capital and Revenue Budget 2018/19</b> <i>This report will provide details of the initial budget proposals for 2018/2019 prior to consideration by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.</i>	On Committee Work Programme for December 2017 meeting

## 9. Financial and Legal Implications

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

## 10. Recommendations

- 10.1 The Committee is asked to:
- a) Consider whether any changes need to be made to the work programme attached at Appendix 1.

- b) Note the changes to the Committee's work programme, as set out in paragraph 3 above.
- c) Indicate which of the Task Group topics of Physical Activity, Social Isolation and Support and Resources for Carers it wishes to submit for consideration as a Task Group review in 2018/19.

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**Appendices:**

- Appendix 1 - The Committee's Work Programme
- Appendix 2 - Task Group Template – Physical Activity
- Appendix 3 - Task Group Template – Social Isolation
- Appendix 4 - Task Group Template – Support and Resources for Carers
- Appendix 5 - Notes of South East Coast Ambulance Service (SECAMB) Regional Scrutiny Sub-Group Meeting held on 26 June

**Background papers:**

None.