

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 27 September 2018 where it was agreed to add two new items to the agenda for this meeting; one on the creation of a Single Pathology Service for Kent and Medway and the other on the Transformation of Health and Care in East Kent with a focus on the impact for Medway patients accessing services provided by East Kent Hospitals University Foundation Trust (EKHUFT).

3.2 It was agreed that updates on the Kent and Medway wheelchair service and acute and nurse-led dermatology services should be provided in the format of briefing notes to all Members of the Committee.

3.3 It was noted at the agenda planning meeting that the phlebotomy service previously provided at the Sunlight Centre by MCH has been relocated to the Balmoral Gardens Community Healthy Living Centre and will be open in the afternoon and well as mornings with availability to a larger part of Gillingham.

The CCG explained that the specification for phlebotomy services will be reviewed as part of the wider community services re-procurement.

4. Social Isolation Task Group

- 4.1 The Social Isolation Task Group has held its final evidence gathering session. This was a meeting with Councillor Brake (Portfolio Holder for Adults' Services) and Councillor Doe (Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Housing and Community Services) who are the two Cabinet Members whose portfolios most closely relate to the work of the Task Group. The purpose of this meeting was to share the initial findings of the Task Group and to seek the views of the Cabinet Members on how the Council could better address social isolation and loneliness.
- 4.2 The Task Group will now produce its draft report and recommendations. It is anticipated that this will be presented to this Committee in December and onwards to Cabinet next January.

5. Stroke Review Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC)

- 5.1 A meeting of the Stroke Review Joint Health Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) took place on 5 September. The JHOSC considered the evaluation criteria used for the review process. It also requested that travel times to the proposed stroke unit options be checked for accuracy in view of concerns raised that a number of these had changed compared to the figures previously presented in the public consultation document. The public consultation document showed that Option D, which would see the development of hyper acute stroke units at Medway, Tunbridge Wells and William Harvey hospitals, had the overall highest percentage of patients living within 30 or 45 minute travels times of one of these sites. However, the report presented on 5 September suggested that Option E (Darent Valley, Tunbridge Wells and William Harvey) would have the best overall patient travel times.
- 5.2 The Stroke JHOSC also reiterated previous concerns raised in relation to community rehabilitation as it was considered that the provision of high quality rehabilitation services were very important to the successful recovery of stroke patients. The JHOSC requested that further stakeholder engagement be undertaken in relation to rehabilitation services and it was suggested that individual health scrutiny committees could explore the issue further.
- 5.3 The Joint Committee of Clinical Commissioning Groups (JCCCG) held an Options Evaluation Workshop on 13 September 2018 where Option B was selected as the preferred option, which would see the development of hyper acute stroke units at Darent Valley Hospital, Maidstone General Hospital and William Harvey Hospital in Ashford. Following this announcement, a business case will be developed in support of the proposed option with a final decision to be taken by the Joint Committee of CCGs in December or January.
- 5.4 A special meeting of this Committee was called by the Chairman and held on 3 October. All members of the Committee were invited to consider the likely impact on the health service in Medway of the selection of an option for hyper acute stroke services which did not include provision at Medway Maritime Hospital and to identify issues and questions for the four Councillors representing Medway to take forward to the Joint HOSC. At that meeting the NHS offered to provide a separate briefing to Members on the detail of

application of the methodology used to select a preferred option (date to be determined) and to also provide copies of the documentation requested and answers to other questions posed by Medway by the end of that week.

- 5.5 A further informal meeting of the Joint HOSC will take place at the end of November in order for the JHOSC Members to start discussing their response to the preferred option. The Joint Committee will then meet formally in December.
- 5.6 If any of the four Councils represented on the JHOSC (Medway, Kent, Bexley and East Sussex is not satisfied with the decision), they would have the option to refer the decision to the Secretary of State for Health, should they determine that the chosen option is not in the best interests of the health service in their area and/or that consultation with Overview and Scrutiny on the proposal has been inadequate in relation to content or time allowed. This right of referral sits with the health scrutiny committees of each of the four Councils rather than with the JHOSC.

6. Kent and Medway Joint Health Scrutiny Committee

- 6.1 A meeting of the Kent and Medway Joint HOSC was due to take place on 12 October. This will receive updates on the Kent and Medway Vascular Services Review and on the Policy Review of Assistive Reproductive Technologies in Kent and Medway.

7. Forward Plan

- 7.1 The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 23 October 2018.
- 7.2 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).

| Cabinet date | Title | Comment |
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| 23 October 2018 | <p>Annual Public Health Report</p> <p><i>This report will present the Annual Public Health Report as required by the Health and Social Care Act 2012.</i></p> | An item on this agenda |
| 23 October 2018 | <p>RVS Older People's Centre</p> <p><i>This will be a report back to Cabinet in accordance with decision no. 51/2018 in relation to the RVS Older People's Centre which was originally reported to the Cabinet on 10 April 2018:</i></p> <p><i>"The Cabinet agreed that a progress report be prepared and presented to Cabinet within 6 months".</i></p> | An item on this agenda |

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| <p>23 October 2018</p> | <p>Referral from Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee - Health Impact Assessments</p> <p><i>This report will bring forward a referral from the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 21 August 2018 that the Cabinet be requested to consider bringing forward the implementation of Health Impact Assessments for all Planning Applications for 25 or more new homes on the Hoo Peninsula and to advise the Director of Public Health accordingly.</i></p> | <p>Considered by HASC in August 2018</p> |
| <p>20 November 2018</p> | <p>Council Plan Performance Monitoring Report - Quarter 2</p> <p><i>This report will provide details of quarter 2 performance for 2018/2019 against priorities set out in the Council Plan.</i></p> | <p>On Work Programme for December 2018 meeting</p> |
| <p>20 November 2018</p> | <p>Draft 2019/20 Capital and Revenue Budgets</p> <p><i>This report will provide details of the initial budget proposals for 2019/2020 prior to consideration by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.</i></p> | <p>On Work Programme for December 2018 meeting</p> |
| <p>20 November 2018</p> | <p>Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS)</p> <p><i>This report will set out the final Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for approval following consideration of the draft document by the Health and Wellbeing Board on 3 July 2018, the Medway Clinical Commissioning Group Governing Body on 25 July 2018 and the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 21 August 2018. The final Strategy will be considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board on 6 November 2018.</i></p> | <p>Considered at August 2018 meeting</p> |
| <p>20 November 2018</p> | <p>Medway Mental Health Strategy</p> <p><i>This report will present the Medway Mental Health Strategy for approval following consideration at the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 16 October 2018.</i></p> | <p>An item on this agenda</p> |

8. Financial and Legal Implications

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

9. Recommendations

9.1 Members are asked to:

- a) Consider whether any changes need to be made to the work programme attached at Appendix 1.
- b) Agree the changes to the Committee's work programme, as set out in paragraph 3 above.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - The Committee's Work Programme

Background papers:

None.