

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 Committee's work programme.
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 23 September, attended by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the Opposition Spokesperson.
 - 3.2. In view of the fact that the current requirement to hold meetings virtually tends to increase the length of meetings, Members considered that ideally there should be only four or five substantive reports on the agenda for this Committee meeting. Members therefore decided that the report on Adult Social Care Complaints and Compliments scheduled to come to this meeting should instead be circulated to the Committee as a briefing paper.
 - 3.3. The agenda planning meeting also discussed which items should be considered at the special meeting of the Committee arranged for 12

November and have recommended that the following reports should come forward to that meeting:

- Community Mental Health Support (this was originally scheduled to come to this meeting but needed to be deferred)
- South East Coast Ambulance (SECAmb) Trust Update
- Domiciliary Care (listed on the work programme as Care in the Community)
- Dermatology Services (currently in the date to be determined section of the work programme)

3.4. The Committee is also recommended to add an item on the Parenting Support Strategy to the work programme for the March 2021 meeting.

3.5. Members asked for a briefing paper for the Committee on carers in light of the difficulties many may have faced during the pandemic, particularly for those who have been supporting shielding individuals or shielding themselves. The briefing will also look at engagement with the carers' network and how services have adapted during the Covid period.

3.6. As requested at the last meeting of the Committee, a briefing note prepared by the CCG was sent to Members on digital engagement and consultation. In the note there was a link to further reports on the results of recent engagement with people with Autism/ADHD that have been published on the CCG's website.

<https://www.kentandmedwayccg.nhs.uk/get-involved/our-involvement-work>

3.7. In response to this briefing note, there was a request that the issue of services to autistic adults should be added to the Committee's work programme given some concerns about what the engagement work showed in terms of services to autistic adults. This would allow the Committee to scrutinise the planned improvements.

4. Forward Plan

4.1. The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 21 September 2020.

<https://democracy.medway.gov.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=379&T=4>

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).

FORWARD PLAN ITEMS RELEVANT TO THE WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE:

Cabinet date	Title	Comment
17 November 2020	Draft Capital and Revenue Budgets 2021/2022 <i>This report will provide details of the initial budget proposals for 2021/22 prior to consideration by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.</i>	On Work Programme for December 2020 meeting
17 November 2020	Council Plan Monitoring and Risk Register Review 2020/21 - Quarter 2 <i>This report will provide details of Quarter 2 performance for 2020/21 against the priorities set out in the Council Plan and will bring forward the latest risk management review.</i>	On Work Programme for December 2020 meeting
17 November 2020	Gateway 1 Procurement Commencement: Recommissioning Older People and Working Age Adults Residential and Nursing Care <i>This report will seek approval to commence the procurement process for the provision of Older People and Working Age Adults Residential and Nursing Care.</i>	
12 January 2021	Adult Social Care Strategy This report will seek Cabinet approval to the Adult Social Care Strategy.	On Work Programme for December 2020 meeting

5. Kent and Medway NHS Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee

5.1 A meeting of the Kent and Medway NHS Joint O&S Committee took place on 28 September. The following items were discussed:

- Dermatology Services update
- Provision of Mental Health Services St Martin's Hospital
- East Kent Transformation Programme
- Assistive Reproductive Technologies Policy Review - Update

5.2 The reports relating to these items can be viewed at:

<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=757&MId=8675>

6. Financial and legal implications

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

7. Recommendations

7.1 The Committee is requested to:

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

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Appendices

Appendix 1- The Committee's Work Programme

Background papers

None.