

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

11 MARCH 2021

WORK PROGRAMME

Report from: Wayne Hemingway, Interim Head of Democratic Services

Author: Michael Turner, Democratic Services Officer

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 22 February, attended by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the Opposition Spokesperson.
 - 3.2 At the meeting, the following changes were recommended to the Committee's work programme:

March 2020

Add an additional two items:

- a) Transforming Mental Health Care Services in Kent and Medway - Redesigning the Model of Care for Dementia Patients, Including those with Complex Dementia and Challenging Behaviour
- b) Healthwatch Medway report on support to care homes

June 2020

- a) Update on the Kent and Medway restart and recovery programme, including the vaccination programme

August 2020

- a) Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust Update

Ideally Members would like the site visit to Britton Farm to take place before this update comes to the Committee.

- b) Social prescribing

This was due to come to this meeting but a deferral to August is recommended due to a lack of progress over the last year caused by the need for social distancing.

Date to be determined

- a) Foetal alcohol spectrum disorder

A briefing paper on this issue has been sent to Members.

- b) Long covid – whole system approach to helping sufferers and people affected by long covid in other ways

- 3.3 Shortly after the agenda planning meeting, the Chief Executive and Chair of the Medway NHS Foundation Trust briefed the Chairman and, separately, the Opposition Spokesperson on an inspection by the Care Quality Commission of the hospital's Emergency Department that took place in December 2020. It is recommended that this be added to the agenda for the Committee's June meeting.

4. Forward Plan

- 4.1 The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 1 March 2021. 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
11 May 2021	Council Plan Performance Monitoring and Risk Register Review - Quarter 4 and End of Year 2020/2021 This report will provide details of end of Quarter 4 and year end performance for 2020/21 against priorities set out in the Council Plan and will bring forward the latest risk management review.	

5. Financial and legal implications

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

6. Recommendation

6.1 The Committee is requested to agree the changes to the Committee's work programme as set out in Section 3 above.

Lead officer contact

Michael Turner, Democratic Services Officer
Telephone: 01634 3322817 Email: michael.turner@medway.gov.uk

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Work Programme

Background papers

None.