

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. Agenda planning meeting

2.1 Members will be aware that Overview and Scrutiny Committees hold agenda planning meetings on a regular basis. An agenda planning meeting was held on 13 September attended by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the Opposition Spokesperson.

2.2 The following changes to the work programme are recommended:

- *Kent and Medway Dementia Strategy* – the draft Strategy was due to come to this meeting. This will be a joint strategy involving KMPT, the Kent and Medway CCG, Medway Council and Kent County Council. Due to a delay in the necessary engagement work, Members are asked to consider this draft strategy at a later (still to be determined) meeting. In the meantime, a progress report on the development of the Strategy has been produced (Agenda item 7).
- *Foetal alcohol spectrum disorder* – a paper was due to come to this meeting but Members at agenda planning agreed to a request to defer this item. It was also agreed that this paper on the transition pathway in

respect of FASD should include the outcome of current work in adult social care to improve the transition pathways from young people to adults.

- *Rise in deaths from alcohol and substance abuse* - at the last meeting it was agreed that a proposal to add this issue to the work programme be discussed at agenda planning. It is recommended that this item be added to the work programme for the January 2022 meeting.
- *Eating disorders for adults* - also at the last meeting it was agreed that this issue and children and young people's mental health and transition would be the next themed scrutiny report brought to this committee via the Mental Health Learning Disability and Autism Improvement Board. It is recommended that a paper on eating disorders for adults comes to the January 2022 meeting.
- *Care Quality Commission reviews of Adult Social Care* – Members are recommended to add this to the work programme for August 2022, subject to the timing of the publication of Government guidance.
- *South East Coast Ambulance Service* – it is recommended that this comes to the January 2022 meeting.

2.3 Appendix 1 to this report sets out the Committee's recommended work programme, taking account of the recommendations made at the agenda planning meeting.

3. Forward Plan

3.1 The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 20 September 2021.

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FORWARD PLAN ITEMS RELEVANT TO THE WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE:

Cabinet date	Title	Comment
19 October 2021	<p>Better Care Fund</p> <p>This report will ask the Cabinet to consider and agree the new Draft Better Care Fund (BCF) Plan to cover the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022. The Cabinet will also be asked to agree to extend the 2021/22 BCF plan to cover any delays in the issue of new planning guidance for the financial year 2022/23.</p>	

<p>16 November 2021</p>	<p>2022/2023 Capital and Revenue Budgets</p> <p>This report will provide details of the initial budget proposals for 2022/23 prior to consideration by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.</p> <p>The outcome of consideration by the four Overview and Scrutiny Committees will be considered by the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 27 January 2022 and the Committee will send any comments and recommendations to Cabinet on 8 February 2022 for consideration alongside the budget proposals.</p> <p>Full Council will be asked to consider and approve the final budget proposals on 17 February 2022.</p>	<p>In work programme for December meeting.</p>
<p>16 November 2021</p>	<p>Council Plan Performance Monitoring Report and Risk Register Review 2021/22 - Quarter 2</p> <p>This report will provide details of Quarter 2 performance for 2021/22 against the priorities set out in the Council Plan and will bring forward the latest risk management review.</p> <p>This report will also be considered by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.</p>	<p>In work programme for December meeting.</p>
<p>11 January 2022</p>	<p>People Strategy</p> <p>This report will ask the Cabinet to approve the People Strategy.</p>	

4. Financial and legal implications

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

5. Recommendation

5.1 The Committee is requested to agree the changes to the work programme as set out in paragraphs 2.2 and 2.3.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Work Programme

Background papers

None