

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

7 DECEMBER 2023

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. Recommendation
- 2.1. The Committee is asked to note the report and agree the work programme as set out at Appendix 1 to the report, subject to accepting the proposed changes, outlined in italic text on Appendix 1.
 - 3. Background
 - 3.1. Appendix 1 to this report sets out the Committee's proposed work programme.
 - 4. Agenda planning meeting
 - 4.1. Members will be aware that Overview and Scrutiny Committees hold agenda planning meetings on a regular basis. An agenda planning meeting was held on 2 November attended by Councillor McDonald (Chairman) and Councillors Wildey and Crozer (Opposition Spokespersons).

4.2. At the agenda planning meeting Members recommended the following changes to the work programme:

Proposed additional item for December:

Support to live at home service

Proposed additional items for January:

- An update from the South East Coast Ambulance Services (SECAmb), including performance regarding call out times for TIA cases.
- Update on pharmacies and dentistry services

Proposed additions to the work programme (date to be determined):

- a report on the performance of the Kent and Medway Integrated Stroke Delivery Network (ISDN), including stroke provision in Medway and an update on the hyperacute stroke units.
- Thematic look at adult social care budgets.
- 4.3 Since the agenda planning meeting, SECAmb have advised that they are currently undertaking key programmes of work, including the Improvement Journey that the Trust is working through. As such, an update in January would be limited and they have suggested an update in March would offer an increased level of assurance. In addition, the Trust has commissioned Moorhouse Consulting to work with on the development of its Clinical Strategy. This strategy will determine the Trust's operating model for the foreseeable future and will change how services are delivered. The conclusions of what this means for the Trust are expected in February 2024.
- 4.4 Also, the Trust's new Chief Executive Officer, Simon Weldon, has instigated a review of the current executive structure and executive portfolio, due to be completed in February 2024.
- 4.5 In the light of this, it is recommended that SECAmb are invited to the March meeting.
- 4.6 The Chairperson of the Kent and Medway Safeguarding Adults Board has confirmed that the Board's annual report can come to the January meeting.

5. Task Groups

- 5.1 At the October meeting of the Business Support and Digital O&S Committee Members agreed that the priority order of Task Group topics will be:
 - Air Quality and Public Transport & Active Travel,
 - Medway 2.0,
 - Child Mental Health,
 - New Social Housing Inspection Regime and
 - Education Inequality

6. Cabinet Forward Plan

6.1 The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 20 November. 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).

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Cabinet date	Title	Comment
19 December 2023	Integrated Care Strategy The report will ask the Cabinet to agree the Kent and Medway Integrated Care Strategy. The report will initially be considered by the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee and by the Health and Wellbeing Board.	To be considered at the December HASC mtg
16 January 2024	Gateway 3 Contract Award: Medway Domestic Abuse Service This report will seek Cabinet approval to award a contract for the Medway Domestic Abuse Service, following a procurement process.	
16 January 2024	Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Refresh This report will ask the Cabinet to agree a refreshed version of the Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The report will initially be considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board.	

16 January 2024	Gateway 3 Contract Award: The Support to Live at Home Service This report will seek Cabinet approval to award a contract for the Support to Live at Home Service, following a procurement process	
13 February 2024	Capital Budget Monitoring Round 3 2023/24 This report will set out the latest monitoring position.	To be considered at the March HASC mtg
13 February 2024	Council Plan Performance Monitoring and Risk Register Review - Quarter 3 2023/24 This report will provide details of quarter 3 performance for 2023/24 against the priorities set out in the Council Plan and will present the latest risk management review.	To be considered at the March HASC mtg

7. Financial and legal implications

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

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Proposed Work Programme

Background papers

None.