

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS)

Date: 28 July 2015

Subject: Maternity Strategy for Leeds (2015–2020)

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to introduce the Maternity Strategy for Leeds (2015–2020) for consideration.

2 Summary of main issues

- 2.1 In January 2015, the previous Scrutiny Board – Scrutiny Board (Health and Wellbeing and Adult Social Care) – considered an update on the development of a Maternity Services Strategy for Leeds, including details of Leeds’ Maternity Health Needs Assessment and resolved:
- (a) To note the report and the information presented and discussed at the meeting.
 - (b) To consider the draft details of the strategy at the February meeting of the Scrutiny Board.
- 2.2 At that meeting, the Commissioning Lead for Children and Maternity Services provided the context, including national and local developments, for developing a 5-year Maternity Strategy for Leeds, including:
- The NHS Mandate around Choice, Personalisation and mental Health Needs.
 - The Wave report around impacts on brain development.
 - Leeds Maternal Health Needs Assessment (and health inequalities)
 - Service user pre-consultation feedback.
 - The Commissioning Case for Change.

- 2.3 It was confirmed that the 5-year strategy would inform future commissioning plans and decisions around maternity services.
- 2.4 The previous Scrutiny Board also discussed some of the next steps in the development of the strategy, including discussions with service providers, Children's Trust Board and Leeds' Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 2.5 Due to commissioner workforce capacity issues, it was not possible to present the draft details of the strategy to the February 2015 meeting of the previous Scrutiny Board and this meeting provides the first opportunity for the Board to consider the 5-year strategy, which was formally launched on 30 June 2015.
- 2.6 Attached at Appendix 1 is the Maternity Strategy for Leeds (2015 – 2020), alongside an introductory briefing note from commissioners.
- 2.7 Attached at Appendix 2, for consideration, is a statement from the Director of Public Health at Leeds City Council.
- 2.8 Appropriate representatives have been invited to attend the meeting to help the Scrutiny Board consider the Maternity Strategy for Leeds (2015 – 2020).

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the Scrutiny Board considers this report and attachments, and determines any future scrutiny actions or activity.

4. Background papers¹

- 4.1 None used.

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.