

Note of advice to the Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS)

Firstly thank you for the draft report; I think it captures the discussions and issues well.

I have made a few changes (tracked) – these generally relate to the names of various Boards/groups etc.

The only change I am suggesting is in regard to the timetable for the recommendations in regard to the Health and Well-Being Board.

This is included as a comment on the attached draft report, so the Board can decide whether or not to amend the recommendation.

Clearly, it is not possible for me to comment on behalf of the Health and Well-Being Board; however, from my knowledge of the current work programme I would suggest a longer timeframe: I believe this is still in the spirit of the originally drafted recommendations, and indeed as you will note, builds on these in regard to further work with the Third Sector

The second area Scrutiny may wish to consider is information on current spend on the sector by the Local Authority. I have not changed the table in the report, as that is the information you were working on at the time, but I have attached an updated table of spend that you may want to add as an appendix.

This would also help demonstrate the Council is joined up across its scrutiny approach, as this was the information used for the recent resources Scrutiny Inquiry into Commissioning.

The table gives further information on spend, including changes over the last few years; spend as a percentage of total commissioning spend; and covers more directorates.

The figures are also different due to the complexity of the Third Sector delivering a significant amount of Statutory Services, including individual support (such as through personal budgets/direct payments) but I believe gives a truer picture of spend in the sector.

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