

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Health and Well-Being and Adult Social Care)

Date: 25 January 2012

Subject: Work Schedule – January 2012

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

- In July 2011, the Board identified the following priority areas for inclusion in its work schedule during the current municipal year:
 - Reducing smoking in the over 18s (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - Service Change and Commissioning in Adult Social Care (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - Reducing avoidable admissions to hospital and care homes (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - The transformation of Health and Social Care Services (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - Consultation (across adult social care and health);
 - Health inequalities; and,
 - Leeds Crisis Centre (follow-up on the work from the previous Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board).
- These were presented as a draft work schedule at the to the September meeting of the Scrutiny Board. **An updated work schedule is attached as Appendix 1.** This should be considered as a live document and may be subject to change, to reflect any changing and/or emerging priorities identified by the Scrutiny Board. As such, it should be noted that the work schedule is likely to be subject to change throughout the municipal year.

3. Attached at **Appendix 2** and **Appendix 3** are the **minutes arising from the Executive Board meetings held on 14 December 2011 and 4 January 2012**, respectively.
4. Attached at **Appendix 4** is the **Council's current Forward Plan (1 January 2012 – 30 April 2012)** relating to the Board's portfolio and terms of reference.
5. A summary of the proposed approach for the main areas of inquiry, currently detailed on the work schedule, are presented below:

Reducing smoking

6. Consideration of a report on the development of the Tobacco Reduction Strategy from the Director of Public Health (detailed elsewhere on the agenda).

Service Change and Commissioning in Adult Social Care and Reducing avoidable admissions to hospital and care homes

7. Proposed activity will include general input into the Health (and Adult Social Care) Service Developments working group, where an outline of matters detailed on the Council's forward plan will be provided, in addition to horizon scanning of future issues and/or NHS service changes/ developments.
8. At the meeting in October, it was agreed to focus on Health and Social Care Service Integration by considering the implications (including governance issues) for the organisations involved, alongside the benefits for service users. In particular this will cover services / areas such as:
 - (a) Harry Booth House (integration of services provided by Adult Social Services and Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust)
 - (b) Integration of community Social Work Teams (integration of services provided by Adult Social Services and Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust)
 - (c) Working age adults with enduring mental health issues ((integration of services provided by Adult Social Services and Leeds Partnerships NHS Foundation Trust)
9. Arrangements are in for this to be considered at the Board meeting in February 2012.

The transformation of Health and Social Care Services

10. A further update on the work of the Transformation Board and associated projects / work streams coordinated by NHS Leeds will be presented at the Board meeting in February 2012.

Scrutiny Board inquiry: Consultation

11. The Board held its second session associated with this inquiry at its December 2011 meeting. The Board's draft report and associated recommendations will be presented to a future meeting.

Scrutiny Board inquiry: Health inequalities

12. Further consideration to the Board's health inequalities inquiry were presented and considered at the previous meeting in December 2011.
13. At the previous meeting, it was recognised that some additional meetings will be needed as part of this inquiry and a working group established. A proposed

programme of working group meetings (to be held at different venues across the city) is currently being drafted and will be presented at the meeting for discussion/ approval. elsewhere on the agenda.

Leeds Crisis Centre (follow-up on the work from the previous Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board)

14. As agreed at the October 2011 meeting, in lieu of an inquiry into the impact of the closure of the Crisis Centre, the Director of Adult Social Care has been asked to submit a monitoring report to the Scrutiny Board meeting in February 2012. The aim of this report will be to set out details of the re-provision of services and the impact of change on service users since the closure of the Crisis Centre. This report should be supported by data providing information on the alternative services and pathways offered to those people who used, or would have used the Crisis Centre.

Health Service Developments Working Group

15. In July 2011, the Scrutiny Board established a working group to consider proposed NHS service changes and/or developments and the required level of public engagement and involvement, alongside progress and implementation of agreed developments.
16. Recent working group meeting have been held on 7 November 2011 and 9 January 2012. Draft notes from these meetings will be presented at the meeting.

Request for Scrutiny: Arrangements for meeting needs of blind and visually impaired people in Leeds

17. Following the request for scrutiny received and considered at the October 2011 meeting, a site visit to Fairfax House took place on 9 December 2011.
18. The original working group meeting scheduled for 21 December 2011 was postponed and rescheduled for 16 January 2012. The outcome/ findings of the Scrutiny Board working group will be reported to a meeting of the Executive Board on 10 February 2012.
19. The outcome of the working group meeting will be reported at the meeting.

Recommendations

20. To consider the information presented in this report and supporting appendices, in order to amend and/or agree the work schedule detailed at Appendix 1.

Background documents

- None used