

Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 24 March 2017

Subject: Work Programme

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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Summary of main issues

1. The Draft West Yorkshire and Harrogate Sustainability and Transformation Plan (WY&H STP) was submitted to NHS England on 21 October 2016. The draft plan, alongside a public summary for consultation, was subsequently published on 10 November 2016.
2. The WY&H STP was subsequently considered at the West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) at its meeting on 18 November 2016.
3. The WY&H STP highlighted that over recent months the leadership and staff of the West Yorkshire and Harrogate health and care organisations have been working together on how to respond to the significant health and care challenges faced across West Yorkshire and Harrogate.
4. The WY&H STP also highlighted that, while underpinned by the six locality plans (covering Bradford District and Craven, Calderdale, Harrogate and Rural District, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield), a range of work / activity was also being undertaken collectively, across the wider STP area. This work / activity being determined by one or more of the following:
 - Services cut across the area and beyond the six local places.
 - There is benefit from doing the work once and sharing, so we make the best use of the skill and expertise we have.
 - Working together can deliver a greater benefit than working separately.

5. On this basis, the following areas / priorities have been identified in the WY&H STP:
 - Prevention
 - Primary and community services
 - Mental health
 - Stroke
 - Cancer
 - Urgent and emergency care
 - Specialised services
 - Hospitals working together
 - Standardisation of commissioning policies.
6. It is proposed to base the majority of the Joint Committee's future work programme around the nine priority areas identified above, taking account of the key milestones within each project area. However, as plans within the priority areas are still under development, it remains difficult to identify key milestones at this time to inform the development of an outline work programme.
7. Nonetheless, in the absence of any outline project plans, the Joint Committee may wish to set out a provisional work programme, whereby 2 or 3 priority areas are considered on a rolling basis. The Joint Committee will also need to consider the frequency of future meetings and the resources available to support its work programme.

Other areas / issues

8. While it is proposed to develop a future work programme around the key milestones within each of the nine WY&H STP priority areas identified above, there remains an opportunity to incorporate other specific areas within the overall work programme.
9. For example, based on discussion at the meeting in November 2016, the Joint Committee previously identified the following areas / matters for the work programme:
 - Autism;
 - Access to NHS dental services; and,
 - The development of the WY&H STP governance arrangements
10. Prior to the development of the WY&H STP, the Joint Committee had also previously identified work around the Urgent and Emergency Care Vanguard and the West Yorkshire Association of Acute Trusts (WYAAT) for specific consideration. It should be recognised that these areas may form part of the nine priority areas with the STP.
11. At the previous meeting of the Joint Committee, it was agreed that officers continue to work towards developing a proposed future work programme for presentation, discussion and agreement at a future meeting of the Joint Committee. While this work remains on-going, the Joint Committee may wish to identify specific matters for inclusion within the future work programme.

Recommendations

12. That the Joint Committee considers the details presented in this report and identifies any specific matters for inclusion within the future work programme.

Background documents¹

13. None.

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.