

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to the West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 21 December 2015

Subject: West Yorkshire Association of Acute Trusts

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. This report introduces information associated with the West Yorkshire Association of Acute Trusts (WYAAT), including its aims, objectives and details of its projects.

Recommendation

2. Members are requested to consider the information presented and determine any further joint scrutiny actions.

1.0 Purpose

1.1 This report introduces information associated with the West Yorkshire Association of Acute Trusts (WYAAT), including its aims, objectives and details of its projects.

2.0 Background information

2.1 For the past 18 month, the Health Scrutiny Chairs of the five West Yorkshire Authorities have periodically met on an informal basis focusing on the establishment and progress of the Health Futures Programme. Urgent and Emergency Care is one of the priority areas of work identified within the Health Futures Programme.

2.2 A West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee has now been established and draws its membership from the five constituent West Yorkshire local authorities.

2.3 The Joint Committee has the following roles and functions:

- To scrutinise any proposed service configuration with West Yorkshire-wide implications and its impact on patients and the public when constituent Councils have delegated these powers to the West Yorkshire Health Scrutiny Committee.
- To meet regularly with NHS England to:
 - Receive updates on national developments and other matters from NHS England
 - To inform NHS England of common issues arising at the five West Yorkshire health scrutiny committees.
- To receive information on service proposals and other matters from West Yorkshire Commissioning Collaborative (known as 10CC)
- To share information on health issues from each of the local authority areas that may have an impact on the other local authority areas within West Yorkshire.
- To undertake shared development activities from time to time.

2.4 The West Yorkshire Urgent and Emergency Care Vanguard and associated programmes of work are being taken forward by the West Yorkshire Commissioning Collaborative.

3.0 Main issues

3.1 The West Yorkshire Association of Acute Trusts is a collaboration between Airedale NHS Foundation Trust, Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust, Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust.

- 3.2 A summary of the association and its aims and objectives, alongside details of its projects, is appended to this report.
- 3.3 The work of WYAAT is likely to have implications across West Yorkshire and is therefore presented to the Joint Committee for consideration.
- 3.4 A representative of WYAAT has been invited to attend the meeting to outline the work of the association in more detail and address any questions/ queries from the Joint Committee.

4.0 Recommendations

- 4.1 Members are requested to consider the information presented and determine any further joint scrutiny actions or activity.

5.0 Background documents¹

- 5.1 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.