

Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 30th July 2018

Subject: West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership – Specialist Stroke Services

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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Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to introduce a report from the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership regarding its work and engagement in relation to improving Specialist Stroke Services across West Yorkshire and Harrogate.

Background

2. Since early 2016 when the requirements for local NHS commissioning organisations to develop and submit place-based local Sustainability and Transformation Plans first emerged, there has been a continuous development and refinement of the arrangements – resulting in the establishment of the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership – and the associated priority area, detailed below:
3. The West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (the JHOSC) maintains oversight of the overall work undertaken through the West Yorkshire and Harrogate. As previously reported, a review of the joint committee arrangements is currently underway, but it will continue to provide general oversight under its current terms of reference until that review has been completed.
4. The primacy of place has been a key consideration as part of the development of the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership. Therefore the role of the various local authority Scrutiny Boards with responsibility for Health includes maintaining an overview of the local implications and the associated local conversations arising from the wider programmes of work being undertaken across a broader, West Yorkshire and Harrogate geographical footprint.

5. A range of information regarding the review of Specialist Stroke Services has previously been provided to the JHOSC, including:
 - Context of the national review of stroke services.
 - Emerging evidence on approaches to reduce strokes resulting in death and long-term conditions.
 - Projections for an increase in the number of patients having a stroke.
 - How hyper acute stroke and acute stroke care services could be improved across the West Yorkshire and Harrogate STP footprint.
 - Plans for public and patient engagement in relation to improvements across the whole clinical pathway for stroke care, commencing in February 2017.
 - The potential impact of other stroke engagement and consultation work taking place in surrounding areas, including South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire.
6. Key drivers in relation to the review of Specialist Stroke Services have also been highlighted, including increasing demand for services; levels of morbidity for those suffering a stroke; an ageing population with complex health and social care needs; and workforce sustainability.

Summary of main issues

7. As highlighted above, improving Specialist Stroke Services forms part of the overall programme of work for the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership.
8. The report from the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership summarising its work and local engagement around specialist stroke services is attached at Appendix 1.
9. Appropriate NHS representatives have been invited to the meeting to discuss the details presented and address questions from members of the Joint Committee.

Recommendations

10. That the West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee considers the details presented in this report and associated appendices, and agrees any specific scrutiny actions and/or future activity.

Background documents¹

11. 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.