Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS)

Date: 21 February 2017

Subject: One Voice Project

Are specific electoral Wards affected? □ Yes □ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):

Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration? □ Yes □ No

Is the decision eligible for Call-In? □ Yes □ No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? □ Yes □ No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:
Appendix number:

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an opportunity for the Scrutiny Board to consider Leeds Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) ‘One Voice’ Project.

2 Main issues

2.1 During the previous municipal year (2015/16), the Scrutiny Board received and considered a range of evidence associated with the planning and provision of Primary Care across the City.

2.2 Part of the discussions included consideration of the transfer of commissioning responsibility from NHS England to local CCGs; the development of primary care strategies and the development and operation of Primary Care Committees. The opportunity to discuss these aspects in more detail is included elsewhere on the agenda.

2.3 However, the extension of primary care commissioning responsibilities represented a further development in the role of local CCGs since formally coming into existence in April 2013, following the abolition of Leeds Primary Care Trust on 31 March 2013.

2.4 More recently, there have been ongoing discussions around closer collaboration between Leeds three CCGs, with some details outlined in a recent national publication. This collaborative project is referred to locally as ‘One Voice’.
2.5 The Scrutiny Board was scheduled to receive an update on the project at its meeting in January 2017; however the discussion was deferred to allow further discussions to take place with staff likely to be affected by the outcome of the project.

2.6 Suitable senior representatives from Leeds CCGs have been invited to attend and discuss the ‘One Voice’ project in more detail and address questions from the Scrutiny Board.

3. Recommendations

3.1 Members are asked to consider the information provided at the meeting and determine any further scrutiny actions and/or activity.

4. Background papers

None used

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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.