

# Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support

# Report to Scrutiny Board (Adults and Health)

#### Date: 18 July 2017

## Subject: Work Schedule

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
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? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	Yes	🛛 No

## **1** Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider the Scrutiny Board's work schedule for the forthcoming municipal year.

#### 2 Main issues

- 2.1 During discussions at the Board previous meeting on 27 June 2017, the Scrutiny Board discussed a range of matters for possible inclusion within the overall work schedule for 2017/18. The areas discussed included the following matters:
  - Partnership working, including development of Leeds' health and care plan and associated cost implications.
  - Quality of care affecting all service users, especially focused on social care providers judged as 'requiring improvement'.
  - The types of support offered as part of the transforming care agenda i.e. around the repatriation of patients subject to long-term hospital placements.
  - A potential review of care arrangements for offenders in prison.
  - GP provision across the city.
  - Support available to working age adults.
  - Transition from hospital to home (hospital discharge), developing links with housing (specifically in relation to adaptations) and work across localities.
  - The development of digital technology to support patient care needs.
  - The role of public health, particularly in relation to health inequalities.
  - Mental health provision with a particular focus on transition from children to adults.
  - NHS performance and workforce issues.

- Progress of the 'One Voice' project
- The role of third sector in the delivery of health and social care services, including but not restricted to the neighbourhood networks, and associated funding arrangements.
- Maintaining an overview of proposed service changes.
- 2.2 The Board previously acknowledged that, due to the resources directly available to support the Board's work, there would be limitations on the work schedule; and that the Scrutiny Board would need to prioritise its main areas of focus for 2017/18.
- 2.3 The following areas are proposed as particular priorities for the remained of the municipal year 2017/18. These areas are proposed following further consideration of the matters previously identified and discussed by the Scrutiny Board; and subsequent discussions with the Chair of the Scrutiny Board.

#### Quality of Care Services in Leeds

- 2.4 The proposal is to maintain the Board's focus on service quality, with a particular emphasis on social care provision. As reflected elsewhere on the agenda, this would include:
  - Quarterly updates on published CQC inspection reports/ outcomes (commencing September 2017);
  - Leeds Quality Account (September / October 2017)
  - Leeds Better Lives Strategy update reports on the overall strategy; progress of Phase 4; and implementation updates for Phases 2 and 3 (Timing to be confirmed)
  - Re-Commissioning of the Adult Social Care Residential and Nursing Care Services Contract overview of progress and outcomes (Timing to be confirmed)
- 2.5 Within the overall theme of quality, the Board may also wish to consider issues associated with hospital discharges and any associated quality issues. The Board had previously identified 'hospital discharges' as an area for specific consideration.

#### Health and Care Needs of Offenders

- 2.6 Based on the initial discussions in June 2017, understanding the Council's care obligations in relation to offenders and the associated implications would be a key aim. It would also consider the current commissioning and delivery arrangements of offender health services, particularly focusing on HMP Leeds.
- 2.7 Other key considerations could include focusing on the specific health issues identified in the recent Annual Report of the Independent Monitoring Board (published 21 June 2017). This is likely to include some consideration of the provision of mental health service.
- 2.8 Subject to further discussions with Healthwatch Leeds, there may be an opportunity to undertake some joint work and/or consider the outcome of Healthwatch Leeds' proposal to consider men's experience of health and care services.

#### Leeds Health and Care Plan

2.9 Maintaining an overview on the development of Leeds Health and Care Plan, including any specific service change proposals that result. There would also be a

balance between the activity happening locally and any proposals being developed on a wider, West Yorkshire and Harrogate footprint.

2.10 A key consideration would be undertaking complementary work to that being undertaken through the West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee arrangements in place.

#### Current provision of GP services and the future vision

- 2.11 A specific aspect of this area would be to consider the current delivery of Primary Care (GP) services across the City, with a specific focus around the South East of the City in order to understand the current challenges and how these will be addressed in the short-term.
- 2.12 Another aspect of this work would be to consider system integration proposals and the vision for services in the future, including the involvement and engagement of patients and the public; and the potential role and implications for the Third Sector.

## Health Service Developments Working Group

- 2.13 In previous years, the Scrutiny Board has formed a working group to help discharge its health scrutiny function in relation to proposed NHS services changes and/or developments. As highlighted at the meeting in June 2017, this is an important aspect of the Scrutiny Board's remit and is not reflected in the remit of any other Scrutiny Board.
- 2.14 However, the Board have also identified other areas of work / activity that it may be possible to integrate into the work group arrangements. This could include:
  - Quarterly NHS provider updates.
  - NHS key performance reports.
  - Adults and Health 2017/18 budget performance reports.
  - 2018/19 budget proposals
- 2.15 The aim of this approach would be for the Working Group to meet in September, December and March to consider some or all of the matters identified above, in addition to any specific NHS service change / development proposals at that time. It should be noted that due to nature of any service change proposals, it may be necessary to meet outside the proposed 3 meeting schedule.

## Summary

2.16 A revised work schedule is being drafted to reflect the Board's previous discussions and the proposals set out above. This will be provided in advance of the meeting.

## 3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Members are asked to consider and agree/ amend the proposals identified in this report, specifically in relation to:
  - The overall work schedule as the basis for the Board's work for the remainder of 2017/18.
  - The specific matters set out in paragraphs 2.4 2.15 above.

# 4. Background papers<sup>1</sup>

# 4.1 None used

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.