

Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to Scrutiny Board (Adults and Health)

Date: 24 April 2018

Subject: Scrutiny Inquiry into The Health and Social Care Needs of Prisoners – Draft report

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

- At the beginning of the municipal year, the Scrutiny Board agreed to undertake an inquiry around the Health and Social Care Needs of Prisoners that would broadly cover the following areas:
 - Leeds City Council's care obligations in relation to prisoners.
 - Current commissioning and delivery arrangements of prisoner health services, particularly focusing on HMP Leeds and HMP Wealstun, including:
 - The relationships between partner organisations; and,
 - The challenges associated with delivering health and social care services in a prison setting.
 - Specific health issues identified by Independent Monitoring Boards.
 - The outcome of Healthwatch Leeds' work around prisoners' experience of health and care services.
- The Board has now concluded its inquiry and the Board is in a position to report on its findings and recommendations resulting from the evidence gathered. The Board's draft report will follow and be made available in readiness for the meeting when Board Members will be asked to formally consider and agree its report.
- Scrutiny Board Procedure Rule 13.2 states that "where a Scrutiny Board is considering making specific recommendations it shall invite advice from the appropriate Director(s) prior to finalising its recommendations. The Director shall consult with the appropriate Executive Member before providing any such advice. The detail of that

advice shall be reported to the Scrutiny Board and considered before the report is finalised”.

4. Once the Board publishes its final report, the appropriate organisations will be asked to formally respond to the Scrutiny Board’s report and recommendations within three months.

Recommendation

5. Members are asked to consider and agree the Board’s report following its inquiry into the Health and Social Care Needs of Prisoners.

Background documents¹

6. None used

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.