

Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to Scrutiny Board (Adults, Health and Active Lifestyles)

Date: 18 September 2018

Subject: Work Schedule (September 2018)

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1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider the on-going development of the Scrutiny Board's work schedule for the current 2018/19 municipal year.

2 Background

2.1 During discussions meeting in June 2018, the Scrutiny Board discussed a range of matters for possible inclusion within the overall work schedule for 2018/19. The areas discussed included the following matters:

- Focus on Mental Health
 - Childrens Mental Health - including the transition between CAMHS and Adult mental health services; family mental health and the services available to support family units.
 - Dementia – including transfers of care between care settings, consideration of Carers' experiences and consideration of proposed reshaping of social work/care services to a community strength-based approach.
 - Male mental health – including rates of young male suicide; access to services.
- Follow up on kidney transplant transport provision
- Social Care funding and resources for Third Sector providers
- To maintain an overview of the emerging local health and care arrangements
- Infant mortality and possible response to the National Inquiry being undertaken by Public Health England into life expectancy.
- Maintaining an overview of proposed service changes.
- Digital technology for information and access
- Health protection amongst Leeds' migrant population

2.2 The Board 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 2018/19.

3 Main Issues

Developing the work schedule

3.1 The work schedule should not be considered as a fixed and rigid schedule but be recognised as something that can be adapted to respond to any new and emerging issues throughout the year; and also reflect any timetable issues that might occur from time to time.

3.2 However, when considering any developments and/or modifications to the work schedule, effort should be undertaken to:

- Avoid unnecessary duplication by having a full appreciation of any existing forums already having oversight of, or monitoring a particular issue.
- Ensure any Scrutiny undertaken has clarity and focus of purpose and will add value and can be delivered within an agreed time frame.
- Avoid pure "information items" except where that information is being received as part of a policy/scrutiny review.
- Seek advice about available resources and relevant timings, taking into consideration the workload across the Scrutiny Boards and the type of Scrutiny taking place.
- Build in sufficient flexibility to enable the consideration of urgent matters that may arise during the year.

3.3 In addition, in order to deliver the work schedule, the Board may need to take a flexible approach and undertake activities outside the formal schedule of meetings – such as working groups and site visits, where deemed appropriate. This flexible approach may also require additional formal meetings of the Scrutiny Board.

Current work schedule

3.4 The latest iteration of the work schedule is attached as Appendix 1 for consideration by the Scrutiny Board. The work schedule also identifies the priority areas identified by the the Scrutiny Board for specific focus and more detailed consideration.

3.5 The following matters are also brought to the Boards attention and have been incorporated into the current iteration of the work programme.

- Older Peoples Breakthrough Project – identified through the Board's working group meeting considering extended use of the Reginald Centre for some services provided by Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust. An outline of the project and progress to date has provisionally been scheduled for the Board meeting on 6 November 2018.
- Mental Health Framework – relevant to the Board's overall interest in different aspects of mental health (including the work around dementia and the development of the Improved Access to Physiological Therapies (IAPT) services. This area was also highlighted as a potential area for the Board's consideration at recent discussions with HealthWatch Leeds. An overview of

Leeds Mental Health Framework and progress to date has provisionally been scheduled for the Board meeting on 6 November 2018.

- Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust (YAS): service changes – initially identified at a recent working group meeting, further research has identified progress against an overall ‘transformation programme’ being reported to a recent Trust Board meeting. It is proposed to invite representatives from YAS (and relevant service commissioners) to a working group meeting to update members on the Trust’s ‘transformation programme’ and any specific implications for Leeds and Leeds residents.

Local System Review

- 3.6 It should also be noted that at the time of writing this report, recent communication from the care Quality Commission (CQC) highlighted that Leeds has been identified as one of three further local authority areas where a Local System Review (LSR) will be undertaken to explore how older people move between local health and adult social care services.
- 3.7 Other local authority areas include Staffordshire and Reading and aim to build on the CQC’s national report – [‘Beyond Barriers’](#) – published in July 2018; which highlighted the positive outcomes found for older people when leaders in local health and care organisations worked well together and supported their teams in providing high quality person-centred care. In its report the CQC also highlighted poor practice where a lack of co-ordination and co-operation between services had led to fragmented care and badly affected older people’s experiences.
- 3.8 At this stage, the details regarding the LSR are limited, other than the CQC has been asked to review and report individually on the three identified areas by December 2018.

Minutes of meetings

- 3.9 The following minutes, which may be pertinent to the work of the Board, are also appended to this report for information and/or consideration:
- Draft minutes of the Executive Board meeting held 25 June 2018 (Appendix 2); and,
 - Draft minutes of the Leeds Health and Wellbeing Board held 5 September 2018 (Appendix 3).
- 3.10 Members of the Scrutiny Board are invited to comment on the details presented in the work schedule, and/or suggest any amendments, as appropriate.

Leeds Health and Care Plan

- 3.11 Maintaining an overview on the development of Leeds Health and Care Plan, including any specific service change proposals that result, is a key role for the Scrutiny Board. This is likely to include a balance between any planned activity happening locally and any proposals being developed on a wider, West Yorkshire and Harrogate footprint.
- 3.12 A key consideration in this includes undertaking complementary work to that being undertaken through the West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee arrangements currently under review.

- 3.13 Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) across the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership features elsewhere on the meeting agenda.

Health Service Developments Working Group

- 3.14 As 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 – and to oversee associated progress and implementation.
- 3.15 As highlighted at the meeting in June 2018, this is an important aspect of discharging the Council's 'Scrutiny of the NHS' function and is a unique feature of the Scrutiny Board role, which is not reflected in the remit of any other Scrutiny Board or Council body.
- 3.16 A working group meeting was held on 15 August 2018 and a summary of the matters considered and main outcomes is presented at Appendix 4 (to follow) for consideration.

4 Recommendations

- 4.1 Members of the Scrutiny Board are asked to consider the details presented in this report and the associated appendices and agree the latest work schedule for the remainder of 2018/19 presented at Appendix 1, incorporating any agreed amendments.

5 Background papers¹

- 5.1 None used

6 Appendices

Appendix 1 – Outline Work Schedule 2018/19

Appendix 2 – Draft minutes of the Executive Board meeting held 25 June 2018

Appendix 3 – Draft minutes of the Leeds Health and Wellbeing Board held 5 September 2018

Appendix 4 – Working Group Summary – 15 August 2018 (to follow)

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.