

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Health and Well-Being and Adult Social Care)

Date: 21 December 2011

Subject: Work Schedule – December 2011

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

1. In July 2011, the Board identified the following priority areas for inclusion in its work schedule during the current municipal year:
 - Reducing smoking in the over 18s (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - Service Change and Commissioning in Adult Social Care (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - Reducing avoidable admissions to hospital and care homes (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - The transformation of Health and Social Care Services (as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference agreed by Council);
 - Consultation (across adult social care and health);
 - Health inequalities; and,
 - Leeds Crisis Centre (follow-up on the work from the previous Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board).

2. These were presented as a draft work schedule at the to the September meeting of the Scrutiny Board. **An updated work schedule is attached as Appendix 1.** This should be considered as a live document and may be subject to change, to reflect any changing and/or emerging priorities identified by the Scrutiny Board. As such, it should be noted that the work schedule is likely to be subject to change throughout the municipal year.

3. Attached at **Appendix 2 is the Council's current Forward Plan (1 December 2011 – 31 March 2012)** relating to the Board's portfolio and terms of reference.

4. A summary of the proposed approach for the main areas of inquiry, currently detailed on the work schedule, are presented below:

Reducing smoking

5. Consideration of a report on the development of the Tobacco Reduction Strategy from the Director of Public Health (**January 2012**).

Service Change and Commissioning in Adult Social Care and Reducing avoidable admissions to hospital and care homes

6. Proposed activity will include general input into the Health (and Adult Social Care) Service Developments working group, where an outline of matters detailed on the Council's forward plan will be provided, in addition to horizon scanning of future issues and/or NHS service changes/ developments.
7. At the meeting in October, it was agreed that at the **January 2012** Scrutiny Board meeting to focus on Health and Social Care Service Integration: considering the implications (including governance issues) for the organisations involved, alongside the benefits for service users. In particular this will cover the following services / areas:
 - (a) Harry Booth House (integration of services provided by Adult Social Services and Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust)
 - (b) Integration of community Social Work Teams (integration of services provided by Adult Social Services and Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust)
 - (c) Working age adults with enduring mental health issues ((integration of services provided by Adult Social Services and Leeds Partnerships NHS Foundation Trust)
 - (d) Other areas under consideration/ development

The transformation of Health and Social Care Services

8. Further update on the work of the Transformation Board and associated projects / work streams coordinated by NHS Leeds (**February 2012**).

Consultation

9. Details associated with the second session of the Board inquiry are presented elsewhere on the agenda.

Health inequalities

10. Further details associated with the Board's inquiry are presented elsewhere on the agenda. At the previous meeting, it was recognised that some additional meetings will be needed as part of this inquiry and a working group established. The focus of any additional meetings needs to be determined and agreed. **The Scrutiny Board is asked to give specific consideration in this regard.**

Leeds Crisis Centre (follow-up on the work from the previous Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board)

11. As agreed at the October 2011 meeting, in lieu of an inquiry into the impact of the closure of the Crisis Centre, the Director of Adult Social Care has been asked to submit a monitoring report to a future Board meeting (**most likely the February 2012**

meeting cycle), setting out re-provision of services and the impact of change on service users since the closure of the Crisis Centre. This report should be supported by data providing information on the alternative services and pathways offered to those people who used, or would have used the Crisis Centre.

Request for Scrutiny: Arrangements for meeting needs of blind and visually impaired people in Leeds

12. Following the request for scrutiny received and considered at the October 2011 meeting, a site visit to Fairfax House took place on 9 December 2011 and a working group meeting scheduled for 21 December 2011. The outcome/ findings of the Scrutiny Board working group will be reported to the Executive Board.

Recommendations

13. To consider the information presented and agree/ amend the work schedule presented in Appendix 1, as appropriate.

Background documents

- None used