

**Adult Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Tuesday 19th March 2019**

REPORT TITLE:	Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee - Work programme update report
REPORT OF:	Chair of the Adult Care and Health Committee

REPORT SUMMARY

The Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee, in cooperation with the three other Overview & Scrutiny Committees, are responsible for proposing and delivering an annual scrutiny work programme. This work programme should align with the corporate priorities of the Council, in particular the delivery of the Wirral Plan pledges which are within the remit of the Committee.

This report supports Members in developing and managing the scrutiny work programme for the 2018/19 municipal year.

The report provides an update regarding progress made since the last Committee meeting held on 29th January 2019. The current work programme is made up of a combination of scrutiny reviews, workshops, standing items and requested officer reports. This update report provides the Committee with an opportunity to plan, review and evaluate its' work across the municipal year.

The work programme for the Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee for the 2018/19 municipal year is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

RECOMMENDATION/S

Members are requested to:

1. Approve the proposed Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee work programme for 2018/19.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

To ensure members of the Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee have the opportunity to contribute to the delivery of the annual work programme.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Not Applicable

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME ITEMS

Joint Health Scrutiny

Following the joint health scrutiny committee held with Members of Cheshire West and Chester Council on 11th December 2018 to discuss the Urgent Care Review, it is proposed that a follow up meeting be established early in the new municipal year to consider the outcomes of the public consultation. It is likely that this meeting will be held in June 2019.

Quality Accounts

It is proposed that a scrutiny session is convened in order to review the health quality accounts of Wirral's NHS Trusts for 2018/19. It is a statutory duty for health providers in England to provide the draft quality account to their local authority health scrutiny function, and to provide them the opportunity to comment on the quality of service over the previous year. A full report on this process can be found elsewhere on the agenda.

Reality Check Visits

A Member visit to the newly refurbished Pensby Wood Day Centre was held on 12th February 2019, in order for Members of the Adult Care and Health OSC to view the facilities and observe the service. The visit took place in association with Wirral Evolutions, with a brief visit overview attached as Appendix 2 to this report.

At previous meetings of the Adult Care and Health OSC, it has been suggested that Members may find value in visiting both Arrowe Park Hospital, and the Seacombe Birthing Centre in order to view the facilities, and to observe the experiences of both patients and staff. These visits will be co-ordinated by Healthwatch, with Member training due to take place early in the new municipal year.

3.2 FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

In line with the remit of the Committee and the principles for prioritisation, Members are requested to suggest possible topics for inclusion in the work programme. Committee Members should also consider how best to further develop the work programme in advance of the new municipal year.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

The delivery of the scrutiny work programme will be met from within existing resources.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

Not Applicable

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

Not Applicable

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

This report is for information to Members and there are no direct equality implications.

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APPENDICES:

Appendix 1: Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee – Work Programme

Appendix 2: Pensby Wood Day Centre Member Visit Report

BACKGROUND PAPERS

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee	27th June 2018
Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee	12th September 2018
Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee	27th November 2018
Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee	29th January 2019