

Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

7th July 2010

Report of the Head of Civic, Legal & Democratic Services

Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee's Work Plan 2010/2011

Summary

1. This report presents the Committee's work plan for the forthcoming year for consideration. It asks Members to consider any additions and/or amendments they may wish to make to it. The work plan is attached at Annex A to this report.

Background

2. The work plan is an ongoing and fluid document that aids the Committee to plan a programme of work for the forthcoming year. The Scrutiny Officer will be in attendance at the meeting and will be happy to answer any questions Members may have on any of the items currently on the work plan.

Other Ongoing Work

3. In addition to the items listed on the work plan at Annex A to this report there is an ongoing review into Childhood Obesity being undertaken by a Task Group formed of Members of the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee. The Task Group are due to meet again on 12th July 2010 and it is hoped that they will be able to present their final report and findings to the Committee for consideration in the not too distant future.

Possible Work Plan Items and Scrutiny Topics for the Future

	Item	Issues
1	Universal Services Review (post maternity)	Possible Scrutiny Review (original topic submitted by Councillor Wiseman). A report on this is included within today's agenda.
2	Information on how 'Service Changes' are reported to the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee	This has been discussed at previous meetings of the Committee. Both the previous Chair and the current Vice-Chair believed that this

		needed further discussion.
3	Quality Accounts	If Members wish to comment on the Trusts' Quality Accounts in 2011 this will need to be scheduled into the work plan at the appropriate point.
4	Regular Updates from NHS North Yorkshire & York, The Hospitals Foundation Trust & the Yorkshire Ambulance Service	It is suggested that the Committee receive six monthly or annual reports (either verbal or written) from the 3 Health Trusts detailing their forthcoming priorities and any major issues they are facing. It is suggested that the current updates on dental provision could possibly be incorporated into reports from NHS North Yorkshire & York.
5	Presentation on how the Specialised Commissioning Group works	This has been offered by NHS North Yorkshire & York
6	Presentation on NHS North Yorkshire & York's 5 Year Strategic Plan	This has been offered by NHS North Yorkshire & York
7	Presentation on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)	This has been offered by NHS North Yorkshire & York

- Clearly any, or all, of the above will need scheduling within the work plan should Members wish to progress them.

Consultation

- Members, relevant officers and external partners will be consulted and/or notified of the Committee's work plan for 2010/2011.

Options

- Members may choose to add to their work plan some, none or all of the issues and/or topics set out in the table at Paragraph 3 to this report.
- Members may choose to suggest alternative topics and/or issues relevant to the Committee's remit to add to the work plan.

Analysis

8. Members should consider which topics, if any, they would like to review during this forthcoming municipal year. The Childhood Obesity Scrutiny Review is nearing completion and it is hoped that once this is complete the Committee should have capacity to undertake a further review. A further possible topic is suggested at (1) of the table in paragraph 3 and a report on this is included within today's papers. Alternatively Members may suggest their own topics or ask any of the Trusts or senior officers present for suggestions.
9. In addition to this Members will be receiving the 2009/10 Year End Outturn Report and this may highlight potential topics for review.
10. The Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee also receives a wealth of other reports providing information on a wide range of health related matters. Some suggestions for further reports are set out at numbers (2) to (7) in the table above. Alternatively Members may like to receive information on other health related matters.
11. The Committee will also receive extracts of any health or social care Executive Forward Plan items as part of meeting agendas (Annex B refers). Members can request copies of these reports or further information from officers.
12. Additional meetings can be added to the meeting dates set out within the work plan at Annex A should the need arise. The Committee can, should it wish to do so, form Task Groups to undertake scrutiny reviews. All Task Groups will report their findings back to the full Committee for approval.

Corporate Strategy 2009/2012

13. This report relates to the 'Healthy City' theme of the Corporate Strategy 2009/2012.

Implications

14. There are no known financial, human resources, legal or other implications associated with the recommendation within this report. Any implications arising from reviews will be addressed within reports associated with individual reviews.

Risk Management

15. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy there are no known risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

Recommendations

16. Members are requested to agree a work plan for 2010/2011 and consider which topics/issues they would like to address.

Reason: In order to provide the Committee with a work programme for future meetings.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None**Wards Affected:**

All

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Background Papers:

None

Annexes

Annex A Work plan
Annex B Forward Plan Extracts