
HEALTH AND PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE –
WORK PROGRAMME

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the Work Programme items scheduled to be considered by this Scrutiny Committee and to consider any additional areas which Members would like to suggest should be added to the previously approved Work Programme.

Summary

2. Members will recall that at the meeting of this Scrutiny Committee on 30th August 2011, a discussion was held and agreement reached on areas which this Scrutiny Committee would like to focus its work and work has been and is currently being, undertaken in relation to some of those areas and work is still due to commence on others.
3. Members are now requested to consider the current status of the Work Programme (**Appendix 1**) and suggest any further areas of work which Scrutiny would like to undertake.

Recommendations

4. It is recommended that the current status of the Work Programme (**Appendix 1**) be noted.

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Background Papers

There were no background papers used in the preparation of this report.

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S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for Crime and Disorder
Health and Well Being	This report has implications to the address Health and Well Being of residents of Darlington, through scrutinising the services provided by the NHS Trusts.
Carbon Impact	There are no issues which this report needs to address.
Diversity	There are no issues relating to diversity which this report needs to address.
Wards Affected	The impact of the report on any individual Ward is considered to be minimal.
Groups Affected	The impact of the report on any individual Group is considered to be minimal.
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	This is not a key decision.
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	The report contributes to the delivery of the objectives of the Community Strategy in a number of ways through the involvement of local elected members contributing to the Healthy Darlington Theme Group.
Efficiency	The Work Programmes are integral to scrutinising and monitoring services efficiently (and effectively), however this report does not identify specific efficiency savings.

MAIN REPORT

Work Programme

5. For Members information, it has been previously agreed that a number of topics be included on the Work Programme of the Health and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee and Quad of Aims have previously been approved. The status of each of those items is detailed in **Appendix 1**.
6. A key role of Scrutiny is to ensure that the programme is able to deliver the service improvement and the budget savings necessary and Members need to take this into account when considering their Work Programmes and ensure that any work focuses on delivering outcomes rather than service delivery.

Quad of Aims

7. If Members wish to add any topics to this Work Programme, a Quad of Aims will need to be developed and submitted prior to the item being brought to Scrutiny Committee, to ensure that it does contribute to the strategic aims of the Council.

Forward Plan

8. Members are also requested to consider Cabinet's Forward Plan, which is available on the Council's website, to assist in determining any further items which they might wish to include on their work programme, and if so, complete the necessary documentation.

Health and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee

ITEM	PURPOSE	STATUS
Accident and Emergency pressures	To develop an understanding of the real pressures 'on ground' for Hospital staff, ambulance services and primary care and to educate elected Members to enable them to signpost residents to the most appropriate place to receive care.	Completed.
Obesity	To consider the pathway and services of obesity.	Completed.
Update on CCG/HealthWatch and Public Health transition	To consider progress of establishing Health Watch and CCG and how Public Health have integrated into the Local Authority.	Completed.
Darlington Health and Well Being Board	To consider progress that Darlington has made to establish a Darlington Health and Well Being Board.	Completed – Members to be updated regularly by Members of the Scrutiny Committee who are also Members of the Board.
Feedback on Health Profile 2011 Task and Finish Review Group recommendations	To receive feedback on the Committees previous work.	Completed.

ITEM	PURPOSE	STATUS
Annual Report of Director of Public Health	To present the 2011/12 Annual Report of the Director of Public Health for County Durham and the Director of Public Health for Darlington to Members as a reference tool for the coming year.	Completed.
Health Profiles 2012	To receive a presentation on the Health profile for 2012.	Completed.
Darlington Strategic Needs Assessment	To consider the Single Needs Assessment for Darlington.	On Going.
Stroke Services	To consider the impact of the centralisation of the hyper acute stroke services and the provision of stroke after care in Darlington in terms of rehabilitation and community facilities.	To be considered at Special meeting of the Committee 28 th January 2014.
North East Review of the health needs of the ex-service community	To consider an update on the progress Darlington Borough Council has made against the recommendations agreed by the North East Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee.	To be reviewed as an agenda item in 2014.
Update on Health and Social Care Delivery Plan and Health and Well Being Strategy	To consider the Health and Social Care Delivery Plan and Health and Well Being Strategy and feed comments to the Health and Well Being Board.	To be reviewed as a future agenda item.

ITEM	PURPOSE	STATUS
Telehealthcare	To raise awareness and the profile of Telehealth and consider the potential benefits and efficiencies that could be achieved.	Deferred at this time.
Partnerships Overview	To provide Members with an overview of the Partnerships arrangements in place.	Under Task and Finish Review Group investigation – deferred at this time. Partnerships related issues are featured on today's agenda.
One Darlington Perfectly Placed: Delivery Strategy.	To enable Members to consider the development of One Darlington perfectly Placed: Delivery Strategy.	To be reviewed as an agenda item in 2014.
Urgent Care Integration	To enable Members to consider a report outlining the strategic aims of the Urgent Care Strategy; overnight service; current position; details of the proposals and timescales.	Under Task and Finish Review Group investigation – on-going.
Maternity and Children's Service at the Friarage Hospital	To respond to the impending consultation concerning the Midwife Led Maternity Unit and Paediatric Short Stay Assessment Unit at The Friarage Hospital.	Item on today's agenda.
12 months feedback on both COPD and Clinical Strategy Task and Finish work	To receive feedback on the Committees previous work.	To be reviewed as an agenda item in 2014.

ITEM	PURPOSE	STATUS
Access to GP appointments	To gather, collate and assess evidence of the issue of accessing Primary Care and particularly GP appointments.	Under Task and Finish Review Group investigation – on-going.
Securing Quality of Health Services	To consider an update on progress of phase two, the standards and in particular the feasibility study.	To be reviewed as an agenda item in 2014.
Winter planning and preparedness	To consider and receive assurance that winter plans are in place to deal with the additional pressures the NHS face during the winter period.	Item on today's agenda.