

# Adults Scrutiny Committee Agenda



**10.00 am, Tuesday, 27 October 2020  
via Microsoft Teams**

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1. Introductions/Attendance at Meeting
2. Declarations of Interest
3. To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting of this Scrutiny Committee held on 25 August 2020 (Pages 1 - 4)
4. Covid Response - Verbal Update –  
Assistant Director, Commissioning, Performance and Transformation
5. Deprivation of Liberty Update –  
Report of Acting Director, Children and Adults Services  
(Pages 5 - 10)
6. Work Programme –  
Report of Managing Director  
(Pages 11 - 26)
7. SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM(S) (if any) which in the opinion of the Chair of this Committee are of an urgent nature and can be discussed at this meeting
8. Questions



**Luke Swinhoe**  
**Assistant Director Law and Governance**

**Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

**Town Hall**  
**Darlington.**

**Membership**

Councillors Bell, Crumbie, Mrs Culley, Curry, Holroyd, Laing, Layton, M Nicholson, Preston, Renton and A J Scott

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## **ADULTS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, 25 August 2020

**PRESENT** – Councillor Curry (in the Chair), Councillors Crumbie, Mrs Culley, Holroyd, Laing, Layton, M Nicholson, Renton and A J Scott.

**APOLOGIES** – Councillors Bell and Preston.

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE** – Christine Shields (Assistant Director - Commissioning, Performance and Transformation), Linda Thirkeld (Head of Adults) and Paul Dalton (Elections Officer).

### **AD9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting.

### **AD10 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THIS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON 30 JUNE AND 14 JULY 2020**

**Submitted** – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meetings of this Scrutiny Committee held on 30 June and 14 July 2020.

**RESOLVED** – (a) That Minute AD8/July/2020 be amended to note that, whilst there had been no increase in cases of domestic violence reported during the period outlined within the report, the severity in reported cases had increased.

(b) That, pursuant to the above amendment, the Minutes of the meetings of this Scrutiny Committee held on 30 June and 14 July 2020, be approved as correct records.

### **AD11 ADULT SOCIAL CARE TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME**

The Director of Children and Adults submitted a report (previously circulated) to update Members on the progress of the Adults Social Care Transformation Programme, which was last reported to this Committee in October 2019.

The submitted report stated that the Care Act provided the context to review and implement a new operating model for Adult Social Care services to support the delivery of good quality services at a sustainable cost, and that the Transformation Programme was enabling the delivery of modern services which are Care Act compliant, and work in partnership with people to maximise their individual strengths and assets.

The submitted report highlighted that this was rolling programme, and that there were currently 18 projects in progress.

Members noted that the on-line Financial Assessment tool was in operation and had received good feedback, and were pleased to learn that those residents in receipt of a personal budget to facilitate their own care had received additional advice throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. Concern was expressed about the shift to on-line delivery, with Members noting that not all residents had access, or the skills to

access, on-line systems, however Members were reassured that face-to-face and telephone options were also still available. Further discussion ensued on the promotion of on-line accessibility, information and tools.

Members received assurances that impending staffing changes would not have an impact on the delivery of the Transformation Programme.

It was noted that a list of business improvement projects were waiting to commence once appropriate resources were released to deliver them, and Members were keen to learn what was required to facilitate the release of the resources necessary to deliver these projects.

**RESOLVED** – That the progress on plans to transform Adult Social Care be noted.

## **AD12 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS QUARTER 4 2019/20**

The Assistant Director – Adults Services submitted a report (previously circulated) to provide Members with performance data against Key Performance Indicators for 2019/20 at Quarter 4.

The submitted report outlined performance information in line with an indicator set and Scrutiny Committee distribution agreed by the Monitoring and Coordination Group on 4 June 2018, and subsequently agreed by Scrutiny Committee Chairs.

The submitted report stated that the indicators were aligned with key priorities and the majority are used to monitor the Corporate Plan. It was stated that other indicators may be referenced when appropriate in narrative provided by the relevant Assistant Directors, when providing the Committee with performance updates. Twelve indicators were reported to this Committee, ten on a six monthly basis and two annually.

It was reported that of the ten indicators reported at six months, six of the indicators showed performance better than at this time last year, one indicator showed performance was not as good as at this time last year, yet was still continuing to be monitored and managed, and that three indicators were not comparable, as were reviewed at a point in time.

Members entered into discussion on the report, noting that demand for services had fallen during the Covid pandemic and the increased number of Safeguarding Strategy meetings as a result of greater reporting and awareness. Concerns were expressed about the potential for 'long Covid' in individuals aged in their 20s and 30s.

**RESOLVED** – That the performance information provided within the submitted report be noted.

## **AD13 WORK PROGRAMME**

The Managing Director submitted a report requesting that Members gave consideration to the Work Programme items scheduled to be considered by this Scrutiny Committee during 2020/21, and to any additional areas that Members would like to be included.

Members were reminded that the appropriate manner for adding items to the agreed Work Programme was the completion of a Quad of Aims.

**RESOLVED** – That the current status of the Work Programme be noted.

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## **ADULTS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** **27<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2020**

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### **DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY UPDATE**

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#### **SUMMARY REPORT**

##### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide an update on Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) and Deprivation of Liberty in supported living and home environments, including outcomes for people.

##### **Summary**

2. DoLS came into force in England and Wales on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009. They were introduced as amendments to the Mental Capacity Act 2005 (MCA) via the Mental Health Act (MHA) 2007). They were a response to a breach of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR). The ECHR found that UK law did not give adequate protection to people who lacked mental capacity to consent to care or treatment and who required some restrictions on their liberty to keep them safe.
3. DoLS are a legal framework which exists to ensure that individuals who lack the mental capacity to consent to the arrangements for their care, where such care may (because of restrictions imposed on an individual's freedom of choice or movement) amount to a "deprivation of liberty", have the arrangements independently assessed to ensure they are in the best interests of the individual concerned.
4. The Local Authority has a statutory responsibility as Supervisory Body for operating and overseeing the MCA DoLS. This includes assessing and granting, or otherwise, all DoLS authorisations received from Managing Authorities. The Managing Authority is the person or body with management responsibility for the hospital or care home in which a person is, or may become, deprived of their liberty. It is the responsibility of the Managing Authority to request authorisation of DoLS and to implement the outcomes, comply with any conditions, and monitor the Relevant Person's Representative (RPR) contact with the individual.
5. DOLS assessors were directed by DoH guidance not to undertake face to face assessments unless necessary. Further guidance was issued on the 8<sup>th</sup> September recommending the reintroduction of face to face assessments where it was practicably possible. COVID 19 restrictions impacted on the DOLS process. There were some difficulties in completing robust capacity assessments due to completing these remotely. There was also an impact on some RPR's being able to monitor the relevant person. In anticipation of the change in guidance, and following an updated risk assessment, Darlington Borough Council restarted face to face assessments from the beginning of August.

6. DOLS is planned to be replaced by Liberty Protection Safeguards (LPS) in April 2022. DoH provided a revised timescale after the original implementation date of October 2020 was postponed. This was a DoH decision as further considerations were being made. The development of LPS practice guidance by the DoH is ongoing and will be consulted upon although no date had been given.

## **Recommendation**

7. It is recommended that that Scrutiny note the content of this update and the implications

**James Stroyan**  
**Acting Director of Children and Adults Services**

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## **MAIN REPORT**

### **Information and Analysis**

#### **The Supreme Court Judgement**

8. On 19th March 2014 the Supreme Court overturned the Court of Appeal in the cases of P v Cheshire West Council and P & Q v Surrey County Council [2014].
9. The Supreme Court Judgement referred to the “acid test” to determine whether a person is being deprived of their liberty. This consists of two questions:
  - a. Is the person subject to continuous supervision and control?
  - b. Is the person free to leave?
10. If the person meets both these criteria then they are being deprived of their liberty.
11. The Supreme Court Judgement in effect lowered the threshold for what constitutes a DOL. This resulted in a significant increase in the number of requests for authorisations as more individuals met the criteria for being deprived of their liberty. This is reflected in the figures below.
12. Since the Supreme Court Judgement there has been a tenfold increase in applications across England and Wales.

#### **Darlington Figures**

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019 - 20	2020-Aug 20
Granted	40	57	755	800	744	841	824	800	229
Not granted	29	40	161	193	61	45	41	51	11
Total	69	97	916	993	805	886	865	851	240



13. The total number of DOLS requests for 2019/20 was 1,552 including 701 requests received which did not proceed to authorisation. The above column only includes the requests that progressed to an outcome of either granted or not granted. Also note the 2020 figure represents 5 months data, compared to the full year figures.
14. National statistics show that in England during 2018 / 2019 there were 240,455 thousand applications for DOLS. 200,225 were approved DOLS in England. This has shown an average increase of 15% per year. The North East of England has consistently had the highest levels of DOLS requests and authorisations.

## Challenges

15. Increases in the number of requests, required additional resources to be sourced in 2018/19. If authorisations are not completed within timescales the Local Authority is failing to meet its statutory obligations and this could place the Local Authority at risk of legal challenge. This may include judicial review or financial penalties as well as damage to reputation.
16. In order to avoid this, Darlington Borough Council have taken a proactive approach to manage requests for authorisations with the aim being to complete within timescales.
17. We have also trained Social Workers to undertake the, Best Interest Assessor's role, (BIAs), within Darlington Borough Council. We have, as a result, increased the number of trained staff who are available to undertake the role. A further BIA was employed into the BIA team in 2018 increasing the staffing to three full time equivalents.
18. In 2019/20 there was a further pressure in other areas of essential business and two of the three full time equivalent BIA's temporarily supported another team. The authority maintained its statutory responsibility by using independent BIA's. This did result in the expenditure on independent BIA's returning to previous levels (see table below). Currently in 2020/21 all BIA's in the team have returned to their roles.
19. There has been an impact on the budget for Deprivation of Liberty due to using independent BIAs, however the alternative would be leaving people unlawfully deprived of their liberty. To ensure consistency, and manage cost, three independent BIA's have been authorised by Adult Social Care at an agreed cost. In addition there is a cost for Mental Health Assessors, as all DoLS requests, require a Mental Health assessment to be carried out as part of the process. The costs prior to Cheshire West in 2013/14 were 0 for the use of independent BIA's and £56,653.90 for Mental Health Act Assessors and in subsequent years:

	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Independent BIA's	£84,442. 84	£108,441 .33	£154,141. 84	£140,048. 02	£115,633 .87	£144,027. 38
Mental Health Assessors	£125,052 .00	£138,420 .54	£162,814. 57	£143,434. 24	£165,000 .00	£177,077. 70

20. The number of requests for DOLS authorisation has significantly increased. There is a proportion of assessments that have been commenced but were not required to be concluded which has had a further financial impact to the council.

## **COVID Impact**

21. The Original guidance from DoH in March 2020 relating to DOLS and COVID 19 pandemic directed that DOLS assessments should not be conducted face to face unless absolutely necessary. This guidance was amended in September 2020 and states all DOLS assessments should be conducted face to face unless there was no other option, this would include care homes where a COVID 19 outbreak is being actively managed.
22. COVID 19 impacted upon practice due to the limitations relating to visits between March 2020 and August 2020. Capacity assessments have been more challenging for Mental Health Act Assessors due to individuals understanding being more difficult to evaluate remotely. Assessors have been permitted, as per the guidance, to use information from previous DOLS assessments to inform the Capacity assessment.
23. The role of the Relevant Person's Representative (RPR) is to maintain contact with the relevant person and to represent and support the person in all matters relating to the deprivation of liberty safeguards. Some RPR's nominated to represent the individual are family members, and in many cases during March 2020 to August 2020, care homes have not been able to receive visitors due to the pandemic. This issue is now being actively addressed with the reintroduction of RPR's and best interest assessors into care homes and cases being reviewed. In addition the Safeguarding Manager has highlighted the importance of this with care homes.
24. Colleagues within the commissioning and contracts team have been actively supporting care homes during the pandemic in a number of areas including the provision of PPE and infection control. The relationships that have been developed during this time will assist in supporting care homes in ensuring every effort will be made in accommodating Dols assessors and RPRs to carry out their duties and ensure care home residents are safe and protected.

## **Deprivation of Liberty in settings other than care homes or hospitals**

25. The Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards cannot be used in settings other than care homes or hospital. However, people can still be deprived of their liberty in other settings, such as supported accommodation or within their own home. In these situations an application has to be made to the Court of Protection (COP) for the deprivation to be considered and authorised, if appropriate. It is expected when LPS is implemented in April 2022 this will change and consideration of deprivation will be considered for all environments. During COVID, there have been a number of community DOLS identified, and Social Care have been able to complete all documents and have logged these with the court. Since COVID, the court process, whilst having been disrupted, has seen minimal delays. The court has adapted there systems to support by allowing electronic applications.

## **Advocacy**

26. The Relevant Person's Representative role is a crucial part of the DoLS to protect the right of the individual. This role offers representation, support, or protection for the individual, and their family, to give them a voice within the system. This includes supporting challenges to authorisations or conditions. In Darlington, of the authorisations granted for the period, 1 April 19 – 31 March 2020, 186 cases have been represented by a paid advocate as there was not an appropriate family member to take on this role. In the year to date from 1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020 this number is 81. It should be noted that these are based on the number of authorisations during the time periods and some individuals could have had more than one authorisation during this period and the paid RPR role would continue.

## **Law Commission Review of DoLS and introduction of Liberty Protection Safeguards (LPS)**

27. It is nationally recognised that the current DoLS legislation is overly complicated. The government tasked the Law Commission to review the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards. In 2017, the Law Commission found that there was a compelling case to replace the DoLS scheme. As a result the Law Commission recommended that the DoLS scheme be replaced with a new regime termed the LPS.
28. Statutory Guidance for LPS is being developed by the DoH and will be consulted upon, although no date has been set. Change is required which will be supported by regional ADDAS lead meetings and oversight. A project group has been created including Adult Social Care, Children's Social Care, Commissioning, CCG, Legal, Training and Development and Colleagues from Systems. This is currently on hold until the Statutory Guidance is available. LPS is planned to be implemented for April 2022.
29. The main areas of change with LPS:
- The legislation will include 16yr olds and over.
  - Local Authorities are responsible for approvals apart for those in NHS hospitals and Continuing Health Care, (CHC), funded individuals.
  - Legislation includes all settings e.g. Hospital, care homes, extra care, supported living, own homes, day care, day centres, foster care settings, residential schools and children's homes.
  - Local Authorities are responsible to ensure there are enough Approved Mental Capacity Act Professionals (AMCAP) and Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA) for all responsible bodies.
  - New AMCAP role will have very specific duties, e.g. objections, any individual in independent hospitals, and can complete pre-authorisation reviews.
  - All Social Work staff will be responsible for identifying a deprivation.
  - Local Authorities are responsible for Independent Hospitals, Self Funders, any individual not CHC or not in hospital and anyone on section 117.

- There will be a requirement for social workers to complete capacity assessments specifically relating to care arrangements.
- RPR role is anticipated to change. Where appropriate family member can represent an individual. If this is not possible an IMCA must be appointed.
- LPS will be part of ever day care management.

30. The impact on this will mean that all social workers in children's (16 +) and adults will need due regard to deprivation for individuals in all areas. The BIA role, will cease and all LPS work will be required to be completed by the designated Social Worker. All staff will require additional training.

### **Summary**

31. Darlington Borough Council continue to fulfil the statutory responsibility for DOLS. There will be further monitoring on the impact of COVID 19, and the implications to face to face visits, if there are further restrictions, or care homes are unable to receive visitors.
32. DOLS legislation is planned to be removed in April 2022 to be replaced with LPS. A task and finish group will continue to meet, and will facilitate the change and implementation of the new legislation.

## **ADULTS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

### **27 OCTOBER 2020**

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## **WORK PROGRAMME**

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### **SUMMARY REPORT**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider the work programme items scheduled to be considered by this Scrutiny Committee during the 2020/21 Municipal Year and to consider any additional areas which Members would like to suggest should be included.

#### **Summary**

2. Members are requested to consider the attached draft work programme (**Appendix 1**) for the remainder of the Municipal Year, which has been prepared based on Officers recommendations and recommendations previously agreed by this Scrutiny Committee in the last Municipal Year.
3. Any additional areas of work which Members wish to add to the agreed work programme will require the completion of a Quad of Aims, in accordance with the previously approved procedure (**Appendix 2**).

#### **Recommendations**

4. It is recommended that Members note the current status of the Work Programme and consider any additional areas of work they would like to include.
5. Members' views are requested.

**Paul Wildsmith**  
**Managing Director**

#### **Background Papers**

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

Author: Paul Dalton

S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for Crime and Disorder
Health and Well Being	This report has no direct implications to the Health and Well Being of residents of Darlington.
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 Sustainable Community Strategy in a number of ways through the involvement of Members in contributing to the delivery of the eight outcomes.
Efficiency	The Work Programmes are integral to scrutinising and monitoring services efficiently (and effectively), however this report does not identify specific efficiency savings.
Impact on Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers

MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

- 6. The format of the proposed work programme has been reviewed to enable Members of this Scrutiny Committee to provide a rigorous and informed challenge to the areas for discussion.
- 7. Each topic links to the outcomes and the conditions in the Sustainable Community Strategy – One Darlington: Perfectly Placed:-

SCS Outcomes:

- a) Children with the best start in life
- b) More businesses more jobs
- c) A safe and caring community
- d) More people caring for our environment
- e) More people active and involved
- f) Enough support for people when needed
- g) More people healthy and independent
- h) A place designed to thrive

Three Conditions:

- a) Build strong communities
- b) Grow the economy
- c) Spend every pound wisely

- 8. In addition, each topic links to performance indicators from the Performance Management Framework (PMF) to provide robust and accurate data for Members to use when considering topics and the work they wish to undertake. There are some topics where appropriate PMF indicators have not yet been identified however; these can be added as the work programme for each topic is developed.

Forward Plan and Additional Items

- 9. Once the Work Programme has been agreed by this Scrutiny Committee, any Member seeking to add a new item to the work programme will need to complete a Quad of Aims.
- 10. A copy of the index of the Forward Plan has been attached at **Appendix 3** for information.

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**ADULTS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME****2020/21**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>SCS Outcome</b>	<b>Darlington Conditions</b>	<b>Link to PMF (metrics)</b>	<b>Scrutiny's Role</b>
Covid Response – Verbal Update	27 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	Christine Shields	A safe and caring community  Enough support for people when needed	Build strong communities		To maintain an overview of the Covid Response.  To be advised of the key issues.
Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS)/Mental Capacity Act	27 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	James Stroyan / Linda Thirkeld	A safe and caring community  Enough support for people when needed	Build strong communities	ASC 063 ASC 064	To look at the outcomes and experiences of those who lack capacity and are subject to a DoLS and to look at how partners work together to ensure high quality services and outcomes.  Update on impact following new legislation

Performance Indicators Quarter 2 2020/2021	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Sharon Raine / James Stroyan / Linda Thirkeld	<p>A place designed to thrive</p> <p>More people healthy and independent</p> <p>A safe and caring community</p> <p>Enough support for people when needed</p>	<p>Build strong communities</p> <p>Spend every pound wisely</p>	<p>ASC 002</p> <p>ASC 003</p> <p>ASC 019</p> <p>ASC 045</p> <p>ASC 046</p> <p>ASC 049</p> <p>ASC 050</p> <p>ASC 208</p> <p>ASC 209</p> <p>ASC 211</p>	<p>To monitor Key Performance Indicators.</p> <p>To receive six-monthly monitoring reports and undertake any further detailed work into particular outcomes if necessary.</p>
Darlington Safeguarding Partnership - Annual Report	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Ann Baxter / Amanda Hugill	A safe and caring community	Build strong communities	<p>ASC 028</p> <p>ASC 029</p> <p>ASC 059</p> <p>ASC 061</p> <p>ASC 062</p> <p>ASC 199</p> <p>ASC 200</p> <p>ASC 201</p> <p>ASC 202</p> <p>ASC 203</p> <p>ASC 204</p> <p>ASC 205</p> <p>ASC 206</p> <p>ASC 207</p> <p>ASC 209</p> <p>ASC 210</p> <p>ASC 213</p> <p>ASC 214</p>	<p>To consider the Annual Report on the work of the Board and to receive reassurance that adult safeguarding is being addressed and an effective approach is in place.</p> <p>To be advised of the key issues for the Board and funding.</p>

Community Equipment Service	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Christine Shields / Jeanette Crompton	More people healthy and independent.  More people active and involved	Spend every pound wisely	ASC 005 ASC 015	To monitor spend and review the operation of the contract following its award in 2015.  Case studies
Covid Response – Verbal Update	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Christine Shields	A safe and caring community  Enough support for people when needed	Build strong communities		To maintain an overview of the Covid Response.  To be advised of the key issues.
Medium Term Financial Plan	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Elizabeth Davison / Paul Wildsmith	A place designed to thrive  A safe and caring community  More people healthy and independent  Enough support for people when needed	Build strong communities  Spend every pound wisely.  Grow the Economy		To enable the Committee to give consideration to those areas of the MTFP within the Committee's remit.

Covid Response – Verbal Update	20th April 2021	Christine Shields	A safe and caring community  Enough support for people when needed	Build strong communities		To maintain an overview of the Covid Response.  To be advised of the key issues.
Adult Social Care Transformation Programme	20 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	Christine Shields/ James Stroyan	A safe and caring community  Enough support for people when needed	Building strong communities		Update on progress of all work streams
<b>Performance Indicators Quarter 4 2020/2021</b>  End of Year Performance (including Compliments, Comments and Complaints)	TBC (June 2021)	Sharon Raine / James Stroyan	A place designed to thrive  More people healthy and independent  A safe and caring community  Enough support for people when needed	Build strong communities  Spend every pound wisely	ASC 002 ASC 003 ASC 019 ASC 045 ASC 046 ASC 049 ASC 050 ASC 208 ASC 209 ASC 211	To monitor Key Performance Indicators.  To receive six-monthly monitoring reports and undertake any further detailed work into particular outcomes if necessary.

Quality Assessment – Annual Monitoring of local care homes for older people	August 2021	Christine Shields	Enough support for people when needed	Spend every pound wisely		To look at the outcome of the assessment and undertake any further work if necessary.
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### **Task and Finish Review Group(s)**

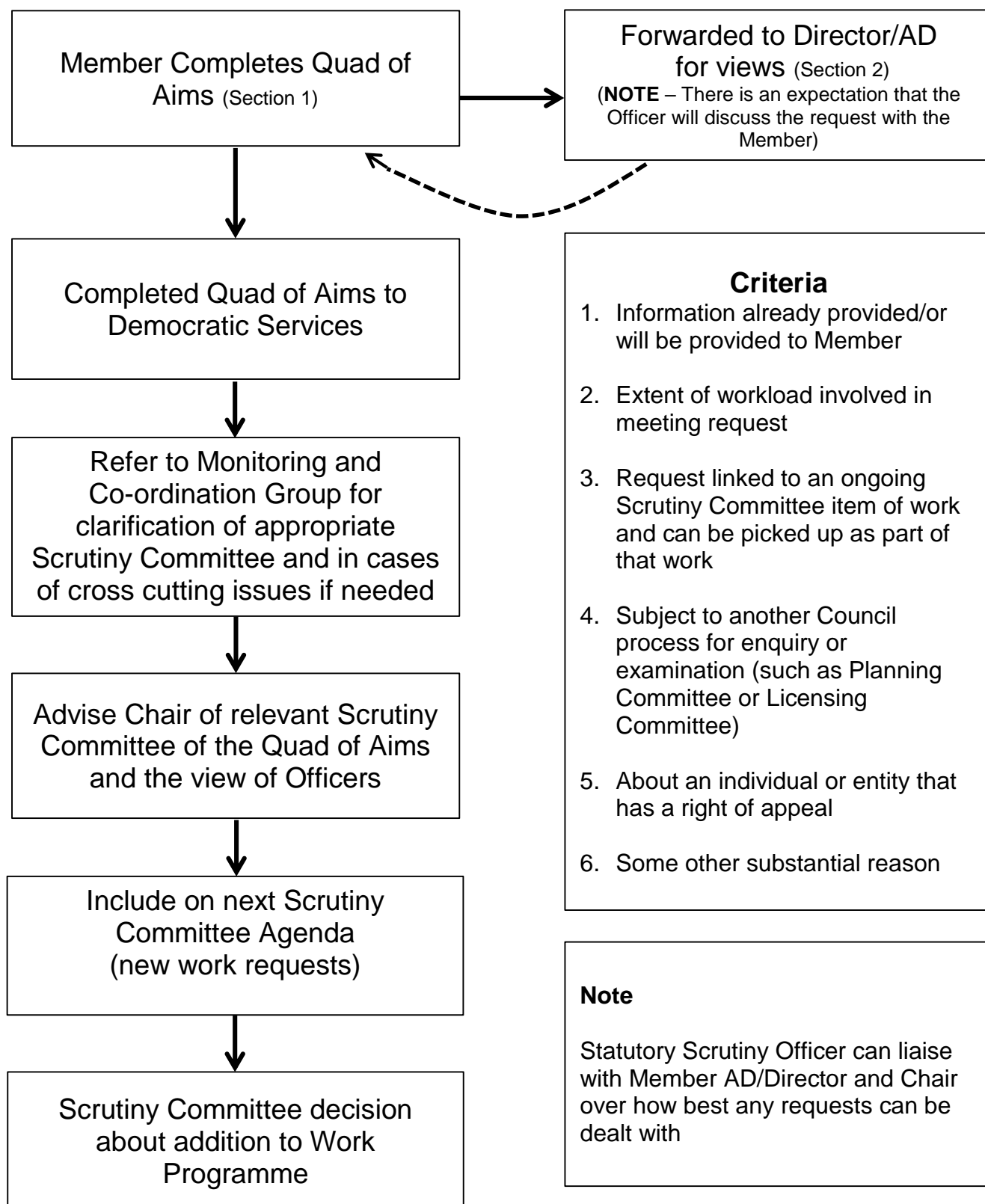
**‘Loneliness and Connected Communities’ Task and Finish Review Group** – commenced Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020;  
**‘CQC Ratings in the Borough of Darlington’ Task and Finish Review Group** (Health and Housing Scrutiny Committee lead with invitation to Chair and Vice Chair of Adults Scrutiny Committee to attend/participate) – commenced Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

### **Additional Work:**

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- Visits to Extra Care, Care and Nursing Homes** (Quality Assessment – Annual Monitoring of Local Care Homes for Older People):
- North Park Care Home, I'anson Street, Darlington, DL3 0SW – TBC **(Suspended due to Covid pandemic)**
  - Oak Lodge, Stockton Road, Haughton-le-Skerne, Darlington, DL1 2RY – TBC **(Suspended due to Covid pandemic)**

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## PROCESS FOR ADDING AN ITEM TO SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S PREVIOUSLY APPROVED WORK PROGRAMME



## QUAD OF AIMS (MEMBERS' REQUEST FOR ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED BY SCRUTINY)

### SECTION 1 TO BE COMPLETED BY MEMBERS

**NOTE** – This document should only be completed if there is a clearly defined and significant outcome from any potential further work. This document should **not** be completed as a request for or understanding of information.

REASON FOR REQUEST?	RESOURCE (WHAT OFFICER SUPPORT WOULD YOU REQUIRE?)
PROCESS (HOW CAN SCRUTINY ACHIEVE THE ANTICIPATED OUTCOME?)	HOW WILL THE OUTCOME MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Signed Councillor .....

Date .....



**SECTION 2 TO BE COMPLETED BY DIRECTORS/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS**  
**(NOTE – There is an expectation that Officers will discuss the request with the Member)**

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<div>1. (a) Is the information available elsewhere? Yes ..... No ..... If yes, please indicate where the information can be found (attach if possible and return with this document to Democratic Services) ..... (b) Have you already provided the information to the Member or will you shortly be doing so? .....</div> <div>2. If the request is included in the Scrutiny Committee work programme what are the likely workload implications for you/your staff? .....</div> <div>3. Can the request be included in an ongoing Scrutiny Committee item of work and picked up as part of that? .....</div> <div>4. Is there another Council process for enquiry or examination about the matter currently underway? .....</div> <div>5. Has the individual or entity some other right of appeal? .....</div> <div>6. Is there any substantial reason (other than the above) why you feel it should not be included on the work programme? .....</div>	<div><b>Criteria</b></div> <div>1. Information already provided/or will be provided to Member</div> <div>2. Extent of workload involved in meeting request</div> <div>3. Request linked to an ongoing Scrutiny Committee item of work and can be picked up as part of that work</div> <div>4. Subject to another Council process for enquiry or examination (such as Planning Committee or Licensing Committee)</div> <div>5. About an individual or entity that has a right of appeal</div> <div>6. Some other substantial reason</div>
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**Signed** ..... **Position** ..... **Date** .....

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# **DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN**

## **FORWARD PLAN FOR THE PERIOD: 7 OCTOBER 2020 - 28 FEBRUARY 2021**



<b>Title</b>	<b>Decision Maker and Date</b>
Regulatory Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA)	Cabinet 13 Oct 2020
Treasury Management Annual and Outturn Prudential Indicators 2019/20	Council 26 Nov 2020 Cabinet 13 Oct 2020
Land to the Rear of Tandridge Court, Woodland Road - Proposed Self Build Plots	Cabinet 13 Oct 2020
Schedule of Transactions	Cabinet 13 Oct 2020
Repair to the Victorian Indoor Market	Cabinet 13 Oct 2020
Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG)	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Council Plan 2020/23	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Construction of Hybrid Business Innovation Centre - Central Park	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Revenue Budget Monitoring - Quarter 2	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring - Quarter 2	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Council Tax Support - Scheme Approval 2021/22	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Rail Heritage Quarter Tenant Leases and Stockton and Darlington Railway Walking and Cycling Route	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Annual Procurement Plan 2020/21 - Update	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
Tenancy Policy 2020/25	Cabinet 10 Nov 2020
School Term Dates 2022/2023	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Climate Change Cross Party Working Group - Update	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Mid-Year Prudential Indicators and Treasury Management 2020/21	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Annual Audit Letter	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Tree & Woodland Strategy	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020

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Medium Term Financial Plan	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Complaints Made to Local Government Ombudsman	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Housing Revenue Account	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Greater Faverdale (Burtree Garden Village) - Design Code	Cabinet 8 Dec 2020
Schools Admissions 2021/22	Cabinet 9 Feb 2021
Revenue Budget Monitoring - Quarter 3	Cabinet 9 Feb 2021
Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring - Quarter 3	Cabinet 9 Feb 2021
Calendar of Council and Committee Meetings 2021/22	Cabinet 9 Feb 2021
Skerningham Masterplan Report	Cabinet