

ADULTS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24

Topic	Timescale	Lead Officer	Link to PMF (metrics)	Scrutiny's Role / Notes
Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP)	9 January 2024	Brett Nielsen		To scrutinise those areas of the MTFP within the remit of this Scrutiny Committee.
Social Care Reforms - Update	9 January 2024	Joss Harbron		To receive an update on progress in relation to the reforms to Adult Social Care.
Substance Misuse Service Update: Support Treatment and Recovery In Darlington through Empowering (STRIDE) (invitation to Health and Housing Scrutiny Committee)	9 January 2024	Gary Besterfield / Sarah Allen (We Are With You).		To receive an update on the proposed actions reported to the Ordinary Meeting of this Committee in February 2023.
Transitional Services (SEND) – Parental Support (invitation to Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee)	Joint Scrutiny Member Briefing – 6th February 2024	Tony Murphy / Joss Harbron		To receive an update on the support available for parents in relation to Transitional Services (SEND).
Coercive Control and Domestic Abuse Policy	To be confirmed	???		<p>To receive an overview to understand what actions the Council are taking in relation to the new legislation around coercive control, and to receive an overview of the Domestic Abuse Policy.</p> <p>(Deferred at the request of Officers whilst a Policy is drafted. Policy will be brought to Scrutiny at a future date for consultation. Permission granted by Chair).</p>
Review of Adult Care Services during Covid – Final Report	20 February 2024	Councillor Holroyd		<p>To receive the final report of the Review of Adult Care Services during Covid Task and Finish Group.</p> <p>(Deferred from 24 October 2023, per request from Councillor Holroyd, with permission of the Chair, and further deferred to 20 February 2024, for sense checking).</p>

Care Homes in Executive Strategy Measures / Arrangements	20 February 2024	Rachel Watt / Sukhdev Dosanjh		Recommendation from the 'Nursing Care Homes in Special Measures Task and Finish Group' – six monthly report to this Committee.
Reforms to Adult Social Care - Update	20 February 2024	Joss Harbron		To receive an update on progress in relation to the reforms to Adult Social Care.
Performance Indicators Quarter 2 2023/2024	20 February 2024	Joss Harbron / Sharon Raine / Wendy Excell	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.
Darlington Safeguarding Partnership - Annual Report	20 February 2024	Ann Baxter / Amanda Hugill	ASC 028 ASC 029 ASC 059 ASC 061 ASC 062 ASC 199 ASC 200 ASC 201 ASC 202 ASC 203 ASC 204 ASC 205 ASC 206 ASC 207 ASC 209 ASC 210 ASC 213 ASC 214	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. To be advised of the key issues for the Board and funding.
Reforms to Adult Social Care - Update	16 April 2024	Joss Harbron		To receive an update on progress in relation to the reforms to Adult Social Care.

Task and Finish Review Group(s)

- **'Loneliness and Connected Communities' Task and Finish Review Group** – commenced Tuesday, 28th January 2020;
- **'Review of Adult Care Services during Covid Task and Finish Group'** – commenced Friday, 21st May 2021.