

Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee

Work Programme 2022-23

The Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee Work Programme details the planned activity to be undertaken over the forthcoming municipal year.

The Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee has the responsibility to review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in the area, and to review and scrutinise county council Adult Services and Public Health. In addition, the Committee has statutory responsibility for the scrutiny of NHS proposals for a substantial development or variation relating to both adults and children's health in Lancashire. Accordingly, the work of the Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee will focus on the following areas:

- Adult Services
- Public Health
- Functions in relation to the Scrutiny of NHS services as set out in the NHS Act 2012

The programme is determined by the Committee following a planning session at the start of the municipal year. This includes provision for the rights of county councillors to ask for any matter to be considered by the committee.

Coordination of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee programmes is undertaken by the Scrutiny Management Board. This is in line with the Overview and Scrutiny Committees' Terms of Reference, as set out in the county council's [Constitution](#) (Part 2 Article 5).

Cabinet Members

The Cabinet Member portfolios aligned to the Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee's responsibilities are:

[County Councillor Graham Gooch](#) – Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care

[County Councillor Michael Green](#) – Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing

The areas of responsibility for each Cabinet Member are set out at [Appendix A – Scheme of Delegation to Cabinet Members](#) to the county council's constitution.

Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee Programme 2022-23

Committee Meeting Schedule							
Scrutiny Activity	13/7/22 (informal session)	21/9/22	2/11/22	14/12/22	1/2/23	22/3/23	11/5/23
LCC Service Area Report to Committee			Adult Services – Social Care Reforms and impact on demand and market		Public Health - Happier Minds – challenges, step up, step down services, aftercare	Staffing resource challenges & new ways of working across ASC and NHS	Public Health – wider determinants (housing, climate change, pollution etc
NHS Report to Committee		New Hospitals Programme Update Report		Strengthening community services - VCFS confidence in supporting services. Expanding virtual wards.	Community Mental Health Transformation Programme Update Report – to include maternal and perinatal MH	HEE – workforce challenges and opportunities	Health and Care Act – integration of services with the ICS. Measurement of quality and VFM on service provision contracts.
Other Scrutiny Review Update	Service Area Update				Social Care Reforms update (briefing note)		
Cabinet Member	Portfolio Update		Adult Services Portfolio		Health and Wellbeing Portfolio	Adult Services Portfolio	Health and Wellbeing Portfolio

Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee Recommendations Progress

Meeting Date	Report Title	Corporate Priority	Recommendation	Progress Detail
21/9/22	New Hospitals Programme	NA	The Lancashire and South Cumbria New Hospitals Programme be asked to return to the Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee at the earliest suitable meeting date in 2023 to provide more detailed information on site options.	Further update to be presented to the May 2023 meeting of the full committee
21/9/22	Public Health Transformation Health Protection Post Covid	Caring for the Vulnerable	Report to be provided to the committee by June 2023	To be included on the 2023/24 work programme
2/11/22	Social Care Reforms	Caring for the Vulnerable	Information on the Fair Cost of Care exercise to be provided at the March meeting of the committee	To be included on the 2022/23 work programme – briefing note update to be provided
2/11/22	Social Care Reforms	Caring for the Vulnerable	Further detail on the online assessment form to be provided at the March meeting of the committee	**Jan 2023 update – as the reforms implementation date has been put back to 2025, a briefing note will be provided to the committee to advise on next steps following this announcement
2/11/22	Report of the Health Scrutiny Steering Group	NA	Briefing note to be requested on the 111 and 999 resource	Information to be requested as part of the 'lessons learnt from winter planning' item of the steering group in May 2023
14/12/22	Virtual Wards	NA	Written updates be provided to the committee on the virtual ward progress across the county	To be included in the July 2023 update to the committee
14/12/22	Virtual Wards	NA	A further update be provided to a future meeting of the full committee to review the integration of virtual wards alongside integrated neighbourhood working (with representation from NHS colleagues, adult services colleagues, VCSF and Age UK).	To be included as part of the 2023/24 work programme of the committee (poss July 2023)

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14/12/22	Virtual Wards	NA	Consideration be given to involve the Lancashire Fire and Rescue service with regard to patient home assessments.	Discussions reported to be underway
14/12/22	Virtual Wards	NA	Consideration be given to further 'comms' work across Lancashire specific to virtual wards (to health providers as well as residents).	
14/12/22	Virtual Wards	NA	Further information be provided on the potential costs of social care (non-medical care) for patients being cared for under the virtual wards programme.	To be included in the update to be provided to the committee (in July)
1/2/23	Community Mental Health Transformation Programme	NA	Initial Response Service contact details to be shared with all councillors along with data on service provision outcomes	Information received and circulated
1/2/23	Community Mental Health Transformation Programme	NA	A review of comms to GP's and through NHS services (inc 111 service) be considered to further support and promote the Initial Response Service	Further comms to be undertaken following the integration into the NHS 111 service
1/2/23	Community Mental Health Transformation Programme	NA	Further information be provided on any arrangements in place between Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust and out of county Hospital Trusts to enable Lancashire residents to move back to an appropriate hospital/ward in Lancashire	Information received and circulated
1/2/23	Community Mental Health Transformation Programme	NA	Further update on progress be provided to the committee in the autumn.	To be included as part of the work programme for 2023/24
1/2/23	Happier Minds Update	Caring for the Vulnerable	Circulation of the Drugs and Alcohol Strategy and accompanying action plan be arranged for committee members.	Information received and circulated

		Delivering Better Services		
1/2/23	Happier Minds Update	Caring for the Vulnerable Delivering Better Services	A progress report be provided on the Drugs and Alcohol/Suicide Strategy and action plans to a future meeting of the committee	To be included as part of the work programme for 2023/24
22/3/23	Lancashire and South Cumbria System Wide Workforce Priorities	Caring for the Vulnerable Delivering Better Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback provided from the scrutiny committee to be fed back to the People Board as part of the ongoing discussions on these priorities • To invite the Cabinet Member back to discuss the ASC workforce strategy at a future meeting to understand challenges across adult social care specifically • Update on the priorities/action plans in around 6 months' time/12 months' time to see actions undertaken and changes seen. • Vacancy rates across the staff groups in NHS to be provided • Dropout rate across units to be provided 	To be included as part of the work programming session for 2023/24 to identify suitable slot

Items to be included for 2023/24 work programme:

- Integrated Neighbourhood Working – Public Health (*July)
- Public Health Transformation update (*July)
- Social Care Reforms preparation
- New Hospitals Programme Update from 21/9/22

Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Steering Group Work Programme 2022/23

Meeting Schedule								
Scrutiny Activity	29/6/22	6/9/22	12/10/22	23/11/22	18/1/23	17/3/23	27/4/23	24/5/23
LCC Service Area Reports	Disabled Facilities Grants	Public Health – mental health key challenges and opportunities Continuing Healthcare update	ASC Winter Plan 2022/23	Public Health – Healthier Hearts (health checks)	Liberty Protection Safeguards – latest developments		Oral Health report	Lesson learnt from winter planning
Annual Reports (Quality reports etc)								Quality Accounts
NHS New Service Briefings	LSC Pathology Collaboration Update		LSC Pathology Collaboration Update				LSC Pathology Collaboration Update (briefing note)	
NHS Existing Service Area Updates	North Mersey Hyper Acute Stroke Services		Healthcare Flow– wait list, intermediate care, ambulance service, virtual wards (respiratory)	Do Not Resuscitate Orders and People with Learning Disabilities	Update from Chris Oliver, Interim Chief Executive Lancs and South Cumbria FT	GP and dentist appointment challenges and Health procurement processes – update on Withnell GP	Update on dental services	Lessons learnt from winter planning
Other	ToR update	Champion for Mental Health – update from CC Morris	Blackpool Victoria Hospital – CQC inspection				Healthwatch information update on dental services	

Health Scrutiny Steering Group Actions Progress

Meeting Date	Report Title	Corporate Priority	Actions	Progress Detail
29/6/22	Pathology Collaboration update	NA	Further update to be provided in Autumn 2022	Update to the 12/10 meeting of the steering group
29/6/22	Disabled Facilities Grants	Caring for the Vulnerable	A further report to come back to the Group in the Autumn to include outcomes from the review.	Briefing note requested
6/9/22	Public Health – Mental Health Update	Caring for the Vulnerable	Key areas for discussion at the February meeting of the Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee be identified.	Identified areas fed into planning for the February 2023 meeting of the committee
12/10/22	Blackpool Victoria Hospital CQC Inspection	NA	CQC response to the maternity services enhanced plan be circulated to group members on publication. Any further challenges/issues identified could be considered at a future meeting of the full committee.	Awaiting response to be published on the CQC website
12/10/22	Pathology Collaboration update	NA	Further update to be provided at an appropriate time	A briefing note was provided for the 27/4 meeting of the group
23/11/22	DNACPR orders for people with learning disabilities and/or autism	NA	Future updates to be provided to the steering group	To be added to the work programme at an appropriate date
23/11/22	Update on the Lancashire NHS Health Check Programme 2022-23	Caring for the Vulnerable	Further information be provided on C-First for all councillors to support promotion of health checks in their areas which would include graphics and information/timetables of any specific health check clinics. Further update reports to future meetings of the steering group be provided.	Information has been provided for all councillors and included on C-First councillor news webpage on 20/12/22 To be added to the work programme at an appropriate date

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18/1/23	Liberty Protection Safeguards	Caring for the Vulnerable	Further update to be provided to the steering group in 12 months	To be added to the work programme at an appropriate date
17/3/23	Delegation of Primary Care services including dentistry	NA	Further data on dental services demand across Lancashire be circulated to the Steering Group. A further report following the dental planning session be provided at the next meeting of the Steering Group.	Information provided as part of update report to the steering group on 27/4/23 Confirmed for the next meeting of the steering group depending on meeting date
17/3/23	GP Access	NA	Further information on the Integrated Neighbourhood Care Teams launch on 19 April be provided and circulated to all Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee members.	Information requested
27/4/23	Dental Services	NA	LDN workforce survey outcome to be provided to Steering Group. Update on the review of local initiatives including pilot programmes to be provided to the Steering Group at a future meeting Dental Access Workshop details on 10 May 2023 to be circulated to Steering Group members	To be added to the work programme at an appropriate date Information requested
27/4/23	Health and Care Updates – Pathology Collaboration	NA	The Pathology Collaboration remain on the work programme for 2023/24.	

Items for potential inclusion 2023/24 work programme:

- CQC framework and readiness for inspection (new framework implementation date deferred to 2023)
- Health and Care Act – scrutiny process changes update
- Shaping Care Together Programme update