



## Report to Healthier Communities & Adult Social Care Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016

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**Report of:** Policy & Improvement Officer

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**Subject:** Activity 2015/16 and future work programme 2016/17

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A summary of activity by the committee 2015/16 – appendix 1 and future work programme for 2016/17 – appendix 2 are attached for the Committee's comment, consideration and discussion.

The table of items 2015/16 is a reminder of activity for information. The future work programme 2016/17 is a carry over of items identified but not considered 2015/16.

The future work programme aims to focus on a small number of issues, in depth. This means that the Committee will need to prioritise which issues will be included on formal meeting agendas. In doing this, the Committee may wish to reflect on the prioritisation principles attached at appendix 3 to ensure that scrutiny activity is focussed where it can add most value.

Where an issue is not appropriate for inclusion on a meeting agenda, but there is significant interest from members, the Committee can request written briefings or presentations outside of formal scrutiny meeting time.

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**The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:**

- Comment/Feedback on items considered 2015/16
- Comment on a future work programme for 2016/17
- Identify priorities for inclusion on agendas
- Identify items for written briefings

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Activity 2015/16**

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| Topic   | Date              | Notes   |
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| <b>Single Item Agenda Issues</b>  |                   |   |
| Transforming Care – Update on Winterbourne Actions                        | 22 July 2015      | Considered an update on Winterbourne Actions  |
| Update on the De-registration of Learning Disability Care Homes           | 22 July 2015      | Considered the present policy, at both national and local Government level, to ensure that people with learning disabilities lived in accommodation that met their individual needs.                                      |
| Carers’ Strategy  | 23 September 2015 | Considered the developing Carers’ Strategy and requested that the final version of the Carers’ Strategy and Action Plans be presented to the Committee for comment.   |
| Better Care Fund – Active Support and Recovery                            | 25 November 2015  | Considered the Better Care Fund, the Committee determined it wants to look at it again in the future, focusing on whether the programme is achieving its intended outcomes and financial savings                          |
| Adult Social Care Performance   | 27 January 2016   | Considered and welcomed the approach being taken to improve adult social care performance, and requested that the Director of Adult Services provide a further update in a year’s time.                                   |
| Quality Care Provision for Adults with a Learning Disability in Sheffield | 27 January 2016   | Considered improvements and action plans following reviews of Council and Care Trust learning disability services. The Committee requested a further update on progress in 12 months from the Director of Adult Services. |
| Improving Access to Psychological Therapies                               | 24 February 2016  | Considered how Sheffield can maximise the benefits of the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies programme.  |
| Consideration of the Home Care Task Group                                 | 24 February       | Considered the report of the scrutiny task group that has been looking at   |

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| report  | 2016                            | home care services, and approved the report to be put to Cabinet.  |
| Access to GP Services                                       | 23 March 2016                   | To consider what progress is being made in improving access to GP Services, and how we could be doing better in Sheffield.   |
| <b>Task Group</b>   |                                 |  |
| Home Care   | reported<br>24 February<br>2016 | A scrutiny task group that looked at home care services – the report and recommendations of the task group was presented to Cabinet on 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 – with a response due back within 3 months   |
| <b>Sub-Group</b>  |                                 |  |
| Quality Accounts  | Autumn 2015<br>April 2016       | Sub group of Committee Members to carry out work on Quality Accounts on behalf of the Committee. The group met in October to consider the issues to be included. The group will meet again in April, to consider the draft quality reports and hear from representatives of each trust how the sub group's comments have been incorporated into the reports. The group will then develop formal comments for the trusts to include in their final quality reports. |
| <b>Issues for briefings/information/updates</b>             |                                 |  |
| Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAHMS) – update | 22 July 2015                    | Information item   |
| Urgent Care Review  | 22 July 2015                    | Information item   |
| Scrutiny and the Adult Safeguarding Board                   | 23 March 2016                   | Information item - proposals for strengthening communication and the relationship between Scrutiny and the Safeguarding Board.   |
| <b>Follow Ups</b>   |                                 |  |
| Deregistration of Learning Disability Care Homes            | 24 February<br>2016             | Update on progress following the Committee's consideration of this in July 2015, with a focus on service user experience.  |

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Future Work Programme 2016/17**

**Last updated:** 14 03 2016

**Please note:** the future work programme is a live document and so is subject to change.

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| <b>Single Item Agenda Issues</b>             |                       |   |
| Public Health Vision                         |                       | The cabinet member is planning to review and refresh the vision for public health, adopted when the Council took on responsibility for the service. This would give the Scrutiny committee the opportunity to challenge and comment on the proposed vision.   |
| Children’s health and food                   |                       | To look at the current picture in terms of obesity and under-nutrition in children in Sheffield, understand the influencing factors and consider how Sheffield could improve its approach.  |
| Elective Care Review (CCG)                   |                       |   |
| <b>Sub-Group</b>                             |                       |   |
| Quality Accounts                             | Autumn 16 & Spring 17 | Sub group of Committee Members to carry out work on Quality Accounts on behalf of the Committee. To continue the sub group approach taken 2015/16 with an autumn meeting to consider the issues that provider trusts should include and a spring meeting to consider the draft Quality Account reports. |
| <b>Joint Health Scrutiny</b>                 |                       |   |
| The Commissioners Working Together Programme | Spring 2016 onwards   | NHS England and NHS Sheffield CCG have formally requested that Scrutiny Committees across the CCG ‘Working Together’ footprint – Sheffield,   |

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|   |             | Barnsley, Doncaster, Rotherham, Wakefield, North Derbyshire, Hardwick and Bassetlaw establish a Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the Working Together Programme. Hyper acute stroke services and children's surgical services will be the focus of the first phase of work. Full Council approved on 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 participation in this work and to appoint the Chair of the HCASC Scrutiny Committee to the Joint Committee. |
| <b>Issues for briefings/information/updates</b>                           |             |  |
| Dementia Strategy   |             |  |
| Care Act  |             |  |
| <b>Follow Ups</b>   |             |  |
| Better Care Fund  | Winter 2016 | Following consideration of the Better Care Fund at its meeting in November 2015, the Committee wanted to look at it again in the future, focusing on whether the programme is achieving its intended outcomes and financial savings  |
| Adult Social Care Performance   | Early 2017  | At its meeting in January 2016, the Committee welcomes the approach being taken to improve adult social care performance, and requested that the Director of Adult Services provide a further update in a year's time.   |
| Quality Care Provision for Adults with a Learning Disability in Sheffield | Early 2017  | In January 2016, the Committee considered improvements and action plans following reviews of Council and Care Trust learning disability services. The Committee requested a further update on progress in 12 months from the Director of Adult Services.   |
| Carers' Strategy  |             | At its meeting in September 2015 the committee considered the developing Carers' Strategy and requested that the final version of the Carers' Strategy and Action Plans be presented to the Committee for comment.   |

## Selecting Scrutiny topics

This tool is designed to assist the Scrutiny Committees focus on the topics most appropriate for their scrutiny.

- **Public Interest**  
The concerns of local people should influence the issues chosen for scrutiny;
- **Ability to Change / Impact**  
Priority should be given to issues that the Committee can realistically have an impact on, and that will influence decision makers;
- **Performance**  
Priority should be given to the areas in which the Council, and other organisations (public or private) are not performing well;
- **Extent**  
Priority should be given to issues that are relevant to all or large parts of the city (geographical or communities of interest);
- **Replication / other approaches**  
Work programmes must take account of what else is happening (or has happened) in the areas being considered to avoid duplication or wasted effort. Alternatively, could another body, agency, or approach (e.g. briefing paper) more appropriately deal with the topic

### Other influencing factors

- **Cross-party** - There is the potential to reach cross-party agreement on a report and recommendations.
- **Resources**. Members with the Policy & Improvement Officer can complete the work needed in a reasonable time to achieve the required outcome