

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

SCRUTINY OF HEALTH COMMITTEE

13 June 2014

Remit of the Committee and Main Areas of Work

Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to highlight the role of the Scrutiny of Health Committee (SoHC) and to review the work programme taking into account current areas of involvement and decisions taken in respect of earlier agenda items.

Introduction

2. The role of the SoHC is to review any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in the County.
3. Broadly speaking the bulk of the Committee's work falls into the following categories:
 - a) being consulted on the reconfiguration of healthcare and public health services locally;
 - b) contributing to the Department of Health's Quality Accounts initiative and the Care Quality Commission's process of registering NHS trusts;
 - c) carrying out detailed examination into a particular healthcare/public health service;
4. The Committee's powers include:
 - reviewing and scrutinising any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in the local authority's area;
 - requiring NHS bodies to provide information within 28 days to and attend (through officers) before meetings of the committee to answer questions necessary for the discharge of health scrutiny functions;
 - making reports and recommendations to local NHS bodies and to the local authority on any health matters that they scrutinise;
 - requiring NHS bodies to respond within a fixed timescale to the health scrutiny reports or recommendations;
 - requiring NHS bodies to consult health scrutiny on proposals for substantial developments or variations to the local health service;
 - referring contested proposals to the Secretary of State for Health.

Scheduled Committee Dates

5. The Committee meetings for the rest of 2014 and into 2015 are:

2014

- 5 September
- 7 November

2015

- 23 January
- 24 April

6. All of the meetings take place on Fridays and start at 10.00am. All venues are yet to be confirmed.

On-Going and Emerging Areas of Work

7. The Committee's work programme is summarised in APPENDIX 1.

Recommendation

8. That Members review the Committee's work programme, taking into account issues highlighted in this report, the outcome of discussions on previous agenda items and any other healthcare developments taking place across the County.

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Background Documents: None

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Scrutiny of Health Committee – Work Programme/Areas of Involvement - 2014/15 (as at 1 April 2014)**

	2014			2015	
Scheduled Committee Meetings	13 Jun	5 Spt	7 Nov	23 Jan	24 Apr
<i>Scheduled Mid Cycle Briefings (Chairman, Vice Chairman and group spokespersons only)</i>					
1. Children's and Maternity Services at the Friarage Hospital, Northallerton					
2. Whitby - "Fit 4 the Future" - Public Engagement					
3. Hambleton and Richmondshire - "Fit 4 the Future" - Public Engagement					
4. Scarborough & Ryedale Integrated Urgent Care Model - Consultation					
5. York Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust: Update on Developments					
6. Vale of York CCG/Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust: "Big Move Conversation" – see Appendix 1a					
7. Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust: Review of Cognitive Impairment and Dementia Services – see Appendix 1b					

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8. Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust: Service Developments					
9. Harrogate and Rural District CCG / Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust: Review of Community Services					
10. National Review of Congenital Heart Surgery (Adults and Children) – see Appendix 1c					

Media release

For immediate release - 25 April 2014

Local health commissioners announce plans to invest in local mental health services

Following feedback from local service users and their carers, the NHS Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is announcing plans to invest in local mental health services.

Confirming comments that the CCG has received recently from service users, the recent Care Quality Commission (CQC) report highlighted concerns about the physical state of Bootham Park Hospital and the Lime Trees unit.

The report identified a number of issues that can only be resolved by moving to alternative accommodation. In the case of Bootham Park Hospital the fact that it is a Grade 1 listed building means there are restrictions to any improvements that can be made to the fabric of the building.

The services provided at Lime Trees are commissioned by NHS England and they are working closely with Leeds and York Partnership Trust to move into more suitable accommodation.

As a prelude to a transformation in the provision of mental health services, the CCG will be holding a range of consultation events throughout the summer, staying true to its promise of involving the community in helping to shape decisions about local healthcare. The process for the creation of this new Mental Health Strategy will

include an assessment of the nature and site of a new York Mental Health Hospital that the CCG is determined to provide for the people of the Vale of York. As well as discussion about the precise nature of the hospital, the consultation process will also look to determine the range of services that should be provided in the community setting with particular attention paid to those based in Primary Care.

A short term, interim facility will be required whilst the CCG obtains approval for the new hospital and it is being built. Therefore the CCG is working on plans with its partners at City of York Council, NHS England, NHS Property Services and Leeds and York Partnership Foundation Trust to develop this temporary solution that will meet the accommodation needs for in-patient service users.

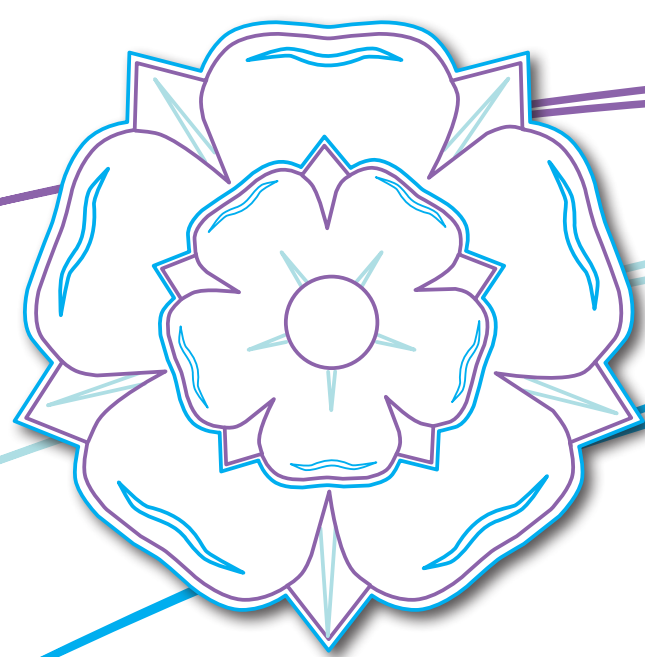
Rachel Potts, the CCG's Chief Operating Officer said: "We believe that investment in local mental health services is a fundamental requirement if we are to live up to the ideal of "parity of esteem" between physical and mental health.

"Bootham Park Hospital was built in 1774 and it has served the people of York well for 240 years but the time has come for it to be replaced.

"The CCG believes that the review of mental health services gives us a fantastic opportunity to define the best possible model of care within which we can design a state of the art hospital facility.

"There is no health without mental health and the CCG is confident that the consultation process will allow it to commission innovative solutions that are fit for the 21st century."

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Cognitive Impairment and Dementia Services Review in York and North Yorkshire

Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust Review of Cognitive Impairment and Dementia Services (May 2104)

This communication is aimed at people and services interested in or involved with services that support the needs of people with cognitive impairment and dementia. It outlines the reason Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust has decided to review its Cognitive Impairment and Dementia Services in York and North Yorkshire.

The review will be based on the needs of all people with cognitive impairment and/or dementia seen in all our services including community teams, memory services and inpatient services. The aim for the project is to develop a clear mental health pathway for people with cognitive impairment/dementia, providing a service which is 'better, simpler and more efficient' and reflects the Trust's goals and values.

We will:

- **Deliver a pathway of care for people with Cognitive Impairment/Dementia that ensures people access the right service at the right time**
- **Ensure service users and carers have choice and control in decisions that affect their care**
- **Provide a service which has the capacity to manage the most challenging behaviour in the least restrictive environment**
- **Provide care in an environment that is safe and meets the needs of service users for purposeful activity, privacy and dignity**
- **Provide multidisciplinary care so people are supported by specialist staff who are appropriately trained to deliver the stated outcomes**

- **Work with our partners, local communities, service users and carers to design our future services**

In the coming months we will be asking people to share their experience of our services, what they think we do well, and what ideal services might look like

We welcome your views, comments and offers to be involved. For more information please contact:

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National Review of Congenital Heart Surgery (Adults and Children)

Current Situation

On 12 June 2013 the Secretary of State for Health called a halt to the Safe and Sustainable Review of Children's Congenital Heart Services. Members will recall that under the Review children's cardiac surgery at Leeds General Infirmary would have stopped.

NHS England, the body responsible for commissioning specialised congenital heart services, are now taking forward the process to cover services for adults and children.

NHS England has almost completed a series of visits to specialist units as part of work to inform the development of a draft set of standards and service specifications which will include, for example, whether there is an optimal size of unit (number of surgeons and cases per year).

A consultation on the standards and specifications will follow later this year.