

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**SCRUTINY OF HEALTH COMMITTEE****4 September 2015****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 up to May 2016 are:

2015

- 6 November

2016

- 22 January
- 22 April

6. All of the above meetings start at 10.00am. Venues are yet to be confirmed.

Areas of Involvement and Work Programme

7. The Committee's on-going and emerging areas of work involvement are summarised in APPENDIX 1.

8. Key issues which Members are invited to note include:

- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

The Committee has a long standing interest in CAMHS. The Department of Health have published Future in mind - Promoting, protecting and improving our children and young people's mental health and wellbeing:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/414024/Childrens_Mental_Health.pdf

Locally developments are being taken forward under the umbrella of the **Children and Young People's Emotional and Mental Health Strategy 2014-17**.

On behalf of the Clinical Commissioning Groups and the North Yorkshire Children's Trust the North Yorkshire Partnership Commissioning Unit (PCU) A draft delivery plan will be considered by this Committee in November. This will then provide an opportunity for the Committee to consider how it may be able to contribute towards improving the CAMHS locally.

- Fracking

This issue will be considered in detail at the Committee meeting on 22 January 2016 with a view to providing policy advice to the Executive at its meeting on 15 March 2016.

Recommendation

9. 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

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Scrutiny of Health Committee – Work Programme/Areas of Involvement - 2015 (as at August 2015)

(Note: Shading denotes period of on-going involvement/monitoring; ✓ = Confirmed agenda item)

	2015	2016	
<i>Scheduled Committee Meetings</i>	6 Nov	22 Jan	22 April
Local Healthcare Services			
1. Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby CCG: Whitby – Out of Hours and Community Services + Whitby Hospital			
2. Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby CCG: Hambleton and Richmondshire - "Fit 4 the Future"			
3. Opening Hours of the Short Stay Paediatric Assessment Unit, Friarage Hospital			
4. Relocation of Hyper Acute Stroke Services from Airedale NHS Foundation Trust to Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust			
5. Temporary Changes to Hyper Acute Stroke Services at Scarborough Hospital			
Strategic Service Developments			
6. Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)	✓		
7. All Age Autism Strategy	✓		
8. Hydraulic fracturing (Fracking)		✓	
9. Primary Care Commissioning			
10. National Review of Congenital Heart Surgery (Adults and Children)			

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Performance			
11. South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust – Outcome of CQC Inspection, financial situation and Impact on Services and Opening Hours of the Paediatric Short Stay Assessment Unit, Friarage Hospital	✓		
12. York Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust - Outcome of CQC Inspection	Timescale to be determined.		
13. Yorkshire Ambulance Service – Outcome of Care Quality Commission Inspection (Including planned service developments and improvements to response times)	Timescale to be determined.		