

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
SCRUTINY OF HEALTH COMMITTEE  
27 January 2017**

**Remit of the Committee and Main Areas of Work**

**Purpose of Report**

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**

1. The role of the Scrutiny of Health Committee is to review any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in the County.
2. 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.
3. 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 and Mid Cycle Briefing dates**

4. Forthcoming committee dates are:
  - 10am on 7 April 2017
  - 10am on 23 June 2017
  - 10am on 22 September 2017
  - 10am on 15 December 2017.

All the meetings will be held at County Hall.

5. Forthcoming Mid Cycle Briefing dates are:

- 10.30am on 3 March 2017
- 10.30am on 28 July 2017
- 10.30am 3 November 2017
- 10.30am 26 January 2018
- 10.30am 27 April 2018.

These are not public meetings and are attended by the Spokespersons for the political groups.

### **Areas of Involvement and Work Programme**

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

### **Recommendation**

7. 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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**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****Scrutiny of Health Committee – Work Programme/Areas of Involvement – 2016/17 (as at January 2017)**

(Note: Shading denotes period of on-going involvement/monitoring but without confirmed dates for items to the committee;  
✓ = Confirmed agenda item)

<b>Scheduled Committee Meetings</b>	<b>2016</b>		<b>2017</b>		<b>Notes</b>
	<b>2 Sep</b>	<b>18 Nov</b>	<b>27 Jan</b>	<b>7 Apr</b>	
<b>Strategic Developments</b>					
1. Implications on health and care services of Sustainability and Transformational Plans across North Yorkshire		✓	✓	✓	Stock-take report to OSC on 18 November 2016 STP lead officers to MCB on 16 December 2016 Follow up to MCB discussions and stock-take report on 27 January 2017 Follow up on 7 April 2017.
2. Rural Services Network - Scrutiny on Access to Health Services in Rural Areas	✓				Rural Services Network to publish their response in December or January
3. NY Mental Health Strategy	✓			✓	Follow up at 7 April 2017, particularly with regard to issues raised at 2 September 2016 meeting.
4. CQC Diabetes Review - explores the quality of care for people with diabetes in England - <a href="http://www.cqc.org.uk/mydiabetesmycare">www.cqc.org.uk/mydiabetesmycare</a>			✓		The review discovered that people at high risk of developing Type 2 diabetes were not always identified and supported to become healthier.
5. Funding of Community Pharmacies			✓		Initial review at 16 December MCB Follow up at 27 January 2017 committee meeting.
<b>Local Service Developments</b>					
6. Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby CCG: Hambleton and Richmondshire - "Fit 4 the Future", including developments at the Lambert Hospital, Thirsk		✓		✓	Follow up on use of Lambert and continuity of care at 7 April 2017 committee
7. Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby CCG: Transforming our Communities – mental health services.			✓		Suggested by Janet Probert
8. Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby CCG – future plans for Whitby Hospital					Follow up to discussions at 14 November 2016 committee meeting – suggested by Janet Probert 3 March 2017 MCB

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9. Better Health Programme (Durham, Darlington and Tees) <a href="https://nhsbetterhealth.org.uk/">https://nhsbetterhealth.org.uk/</a>					NYCC has been allocated 3 seats on a joint scrutiny committee comprising councillors from all the local authorities across the affected area to consider any service reconfiguration. The BHP is now merged into the STP process (see item 1).
10. Ambition for Health and Out of Hospital Care in Scarborough and Ryedale					Engagement to start in April 2017.
11. Care Quality Commission Inspection – Yorkshire Ambulance Service – 13/09/16					Awaiting outcome of inspection.
12. Mental Health Service in York/Selby area and Bootham Hospital		✓			3 March 2017 MCB – feedback on consultation
13. NY Healthwatch Annual Report 2015/16		✓			For information only.
14. NY Independent Health Complaints and Advocacy Annual Report 2015/16		✓			For information only.
<b>Public Health Developments</b>					
15. Development of base-line data and an on-going monitoring system on the impact of Fracking.					Lincoln Sargeant leading discussions with Public Health England on support for monitoring. Update to 3 March 2017 MCB
16. Annual Report – Director of Public Health		✓			
<b>In-depth Project</b>					
17. Dying well and End of Life Care	✓	✓	✓		Committee meeting on 27 January – draft report for discussion and sign off (subject to requested amendments). Report to Health and Wellbeing Board on 17 March 2017.

## Meeting dates 2017/18

<b>Meeting</b>				
Agenda Briefing	20 June 2017 10.30am	19 September 2017 10.30am	12 December 2017 10.30am	13 March 2018 10.30am
Scrutiny of Health Committee	23 June 2017 10.00am	22 September 2017 10.00am	15 December 2017 10.00am	16 March 2018 10.00am
Mid Cycle Briefing	28 July 2017 10.30am	3 November 2017 10.30am	26 January 2018 10.30am	27 April 2018 10.30am