

SCRUTINY OF HEALTH COMMITTEE

14 June 2024

Work Programme

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report invites Members to consider the committee's Work Programme for 2024/2025, considering the outcome of discussions on previous agenda items and any other developments taking place across the county.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 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.

2.2 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 and to 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

2.3 Further information is available in the Department of Health (2014) guidance to local authorities entitled 'Local Authority Health Scrutiny Guidance to support Local Authorities and their partners to deliver effective health scrutiny'. It is available via the following link –

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/advice-to-local-authorities-on-scrutinising-health-services>

3.0 SCHEDULED COMMITTEE DATES AND MID-CYCLE BRIEFING DATES FOR 2024/2025

3.1 Committee Meetings

- Friday 8th March 2024 at 10am
- Friday 14th June 2024 at 10am
- Friday 13th September 2024 at 10am
- Wednesday 18th December 2024 at 10am
- Friday 7th March 2025 at 10am

3.2 Mid Cycle Briefing Dates

- Friday 19th January 2024 at 10am

- Friday 19th April 2024 at 10am
- Friday 19th July 2024 at 10am
- Friday 1st November 2024 at 10am
- Friday 17th January 2025 at 10am
- Friday 11th April 2025 at 10am

3.3 Please note that the Mid Cycle Briefings are not public meetings and are attended by the Chair, Vice-Chair and Spokespersons for the political groups. These meetings are used to develop the committee work programme and determine the scheduling of key items.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no significant financial implications arising from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no significant legal implications arising from this report.

6.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no significant equalities implications arising from this report.

7.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no significant climate change implications arising from this report.

8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 That the committee agrees its outline work programme, contributing any additional suggestions as appropriate.

APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Scrutiny of Health Committee Work Programme 2024/25

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

None.

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