

20 June 2023

Agenda Item: 8

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the Health Scrutiny Committee's work programme.

Information

2. The Health Scrutiny Committee is responsible for scrutinising substantial variations and developments of service made by NHS organisations, and reviewing other issues impacting on services provided by trusts which are accessed by County residents.
3. The Council's adoption of the Leader and Cabinet/Executive system means that there is now an Overview and Scrutiny function, with Select Committees covering areas including Children and Young People and Adult Social Care and Public Health. While the statutory health scrutiny function sits outside the new Overview and Scrutiny structure, it is appropriate to keep this Committee's work programme under review in conjunction with those of the Select Committees. This is to ensure that we work in partnership with the wider scrutiny function, that work is not duplicated, and that we don't dedicate Committee time unduly to receiving updates on topics.
4. The latest work programme is attached at Appendix 1 for the Committee's consideration. The Committee's planned activity for June and July 2023 has had to be amended. Consideration of enhanced service provision at Newark Hospital has had to be delayed as explained elsewhere on the agenda, while the Tomorrow's NUH item has had to be put back to our July 2023 meeting, in view of the need to review content following recent announcements on the scale and timeline for the programme.
5. The Integrated Care Board has also recommended that the July 2023 meeting be a single-item meeting, given the level of detail to cover under Tomorrow's NUH, so previously scheduled items will be rolled over to the autumn of 2023. It is intended that a verbal update on the Committee's autumn schedule will be available at the June 2023 meeting.
6. From September 2023 the Committee will meet monthly. It is intended that no more than two substantive items will be scheduled for each meeting. The work programme will continue to develop, responding to emerging health service changes and issues (such as substantial variations and developments of service), and these will be included as they arise.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Considers and agrees the content of the work programme.

Councillor Sue Saddington
Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All