



REPORT OF: Scrutiny Manager

REPORT TO: Health and Adults Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

ON: 13th November 2013.

RE: Committee work programme.

1. Purpose of the Report

For Members of the Health and Adults Overview and Scrutiny Committee to receive an update to the 2013-2014 work programme.

2. Background

In June the Committee received the priorities, challenges and pledges of the Executive Member for Health and Adult Social Care with a more detailed work programme being agreed by Committee on 15th July. The last update report being given to the Committee at its 11th September meeting.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That ongoing progress of the Committees work programme be noted and;
- 3.2 That the suggested timelines for outstanding reviews to be agreed.

4. Outline work Programme

Benchmarking:

- 1. Request the health data for Blackburn with Darwen, specifically on obesity, smoking, alcohol, housing and any other areas that may be significantly underperforming;

This has been received.

- 2. Compare health data against some of our nearest neighbour comparators, in order that the Committee can study the areas of underperformance and challenge how this is being addressed; and

3. For the Committee to look at best practice and best outcomes in other areas and ascertain if similar principles could be applied to Blackburn with Darwen.

Actions 2 & 3 are currently ongoing with a request having been made to Liverpool Council.

Public Health inclusion:

1. For the Committee to be given a breakdown of the 55 Public Health contracts that have become a Council responsibility; and

The breakdown supplied by Public Health of the 55 Public Health contracts has been circulated and the Executive Member and Director of Public Health have provided an overview of how those services are being promoted and embedded into the main function of the Council was the subject of a presentation at the September meeting.

2. For the Executive Member to demonstrate how those services are being promoted and embedded into the main function of the Council; outlining the key individuals taking responsibility for ensuring their delivery.

This item was agreed for inclusion post 22nd January meeting, where members of the Committee will revisit the topic and discuss the delivery of Public Health service initiatives.

Review methodology:

1. For the Committee to analyse the National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE) data to ascertain if reviews have been done in the areas of interest the Committee may choose; and
2. If a review is not available for the Committee to follow, then the principles that have been outlined in other reviews should be followed.

These two "review methodology" items are ongoing

PRE decision Scrutiny: Potential areas for consideration:

Adult Social Care

1. Future housing and care needs of frail older people, including care homes, sheltered housing and extra care
2. Tackling social isolation
3. Falls prevention

It should be noted that the Committee chose none of the above items, having previously scrutinised social isolation and falls prevention.

Health

- 1) Keogh Review Report: due out late July with suggestions and recommendations for the hospital following their review. There is potential for health scrutiny to review this report and make some possible further suggestions for actions the hospital could implement to address any of the identified problems.

This item has been completed An informal discussion took place on 3rd September with East Lancashire Hospital Trust and the CCG, along with partnership representation from AgeUk and Blackburn with Darwen Healthwatch. A further formal scrutiny review with colleagues from Lancashire County Council is being considered for January 2014.

- 2) Health and Wellbeing Strategy implementation.

This item was agreed as an item for the 15th January 2014 meeting where the Committee will receive an update from the Health and Wellbeing Board an update on the implementation and delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

- 3) Vaccination and Immunisation uptake rates in Blackburn wit Darwen:
This would require scrutiny of Public Health England's plans for Blackburn with Darwen (as this became their responsibility from 1/4/13) and the new operating model for this system from April 1st.

This item is the main item for the 13th November meeting

26th February meeting

This meeting is intended to conclude the work programme for the year in advance of the Annual review of Scrutiny which takes place on 7th April 2014.

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