
Meeting: Social Care Health & Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Date: 5 November 2009

Subject: Work Programme 2009-2010

Report of: Portfolio Holders for Social Care Health & Housing

Summary: The report provides Members with details of the currently drafted work programme following initial discussion of the subject at the last meeting.

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Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Council Priorities:

The work programme of the Social Care Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee will contribute indirectly to all 5 Council priorities.

Financial:

n/a

Legal:

n/a

Risk Management:

n/a

Staffing (including Trades Unions):

n/a

Equalities/Human Rights:

n/a

Community Development/Safety:

n/a

Sustainability:

n/a

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. That the Social Care Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee considers and approves the work programme attached, subject to any further amendments it may wish to make; and**
- 2. That the Social Care Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee considers whether it wishes to add any further items to the work programme and/or establish any Task Forces to assist it in reviewing specific items.**

Reason for Recommendation: So that Members of the Social Care Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee can further refine its work programme for the municipal year 2009 - 2010.

Work Programme

1. As Members will be aware, the Committee received a presentation at its first meeting, which provided an overview of the work of the Social Care Health and Housing directorate and the key issues and challenging facing it.
2. At this meeting, and with the support of the officers in attendance, Members highlighted a number of priority items for inclusion in an initial Committee work programme, a summary of which is attached at Appendix A.
3. The Committee is now requested to consider further the work programme attached and amend and/or add to it if considered necessary. This will allow officers to plan accordingly but will not preclude further items being added during the course of the year if Members so wish and capacity exists.

Task Forces

4. In addition to further consideration of the work programme, Members will also need to consider how each item will be reviewed i.e. by the Committee itself (over one or a number of Committee meetings) or by establishing a Member Task Force to review an item in greater depth and report back its findings.

Conclusion

5. Members are requested to consider and agree the attached work programme, subject to any further amendments/additions they may wish to make and highlight those items within it where they wish to establish a Task Force to assist the Committee in its work.

Draft Work Programme for Social Care Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee 2009 – 2010

Ref	Indicative Overview & Scrutiny Meeting Date	Report Title	Issue to be considered	Comment
1.	7 th January 2010	Directorate Overview: Update on the Personalisation Agenda	<i>The content of this Directorate Overview is currently being devised within the Directorate</i>	
2.		Annual Performance Assessment for Adult Social Care	the Committee to receive a report on areas of performance not met	Members will be informed of the corrective action being taken, in line with the Recovery Programme, to address areas of underperformance and to ensure standards of care is maintained.
3.	4 th February 2010	Overview of Mental Health	The committee will receive an overview presentation from the Interim Chief Executive of Bedfordshire and Luton Mental Health and Social Care Partnership NHS Trust (BLPT), Dr Patrick Geoghegan OBE	
4.		Status report of NHS Beds Strategic Plan refresh	The Committee requested that Bedfordshire PCT bring back its Strategy for review by the OSC (and in line with minute ref JSC/08/26 of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee)	At its meeting held on the 30 th July 2009, the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee resolved “to refresh the Strategy in light of the responses received, the responses to the recommendations of the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the need to update the financial scenarios based on the anticipated future financial situation.”

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5.		NHS Beds Work Programme	The Committee may wish to consider issues arising from the PCT's 2009/2010 - 2010/2011 work programme, based on the Current Agenda* presented to the Committee by Andrew Morgan, Chief Executive – NHS Bedfordshire at the Committee's meeting held on the 10 th September 2009	To effectively plan the Committees work for the year ahead and to ensure the simultaneous planning and management of the Committee's work programme is in line with the Council's Social Care, Health & Housing Directorate.

* **NHS Bedfordshire's Current Agenda**

- A Healthier Bedfordshire'
- Delivering the Operational Plan
- Quality, Innovation, Productivity, Prevention (QIPP)
- World Class Commissioning
- Ceasing to be a provider
- Practice Based Commissioning
- Partnership agenda
- Demand Management
- Swine Flu

6.		CQC performance ratings for NHS Bedfordshire	The Committee to receive a report on areas of performance not met	The PCT to inform Members of the corrective action being taken to address areas of underperformance and to ensure standards of patient care is maintained.
7.	4 th March 2010	Quarter 3 Budget & Performance Information	To receive the Budget and Performance information for the Social Care Health and Housing Directorate.	The Committee will receive a statement of the position Directorate's financial performance against budget for Q3

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8.		Bedfordshire and Luton Mental Health and Social Care Partnership NHS Trust – Project Handover Update		Further to the Committee’s meeting of the 5th November 2009, Members will receive an update report discussing the details of the winning bid
9.		Update on the Adult Social Care Recovery Plan	The Committee to consider an update of the Adult Social Care Recovery Plan	The Directorate will provide an update to the Social Care, Health and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Panel within the corporate performance monitoring framework.
10.	26th March 2010	** - Currently there is no business scheduled for the Committee - **		
11.	29 th April 2010	National Dementia Strategy	The Committee may wish to receive a report discussing Central Bedfordshire’s response to commissioning services in line with their residents and their involvement regionally to the national dementia strategy’s framework	<p>The strategy launched in February 2009 provides a framework within which local services can:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • deliver quality improvements to dementia services and address health inequalities relating to dementia; • provide advice and guidance and support for health and social care commissioners and providers in the planning, development and monitoring of services; and • provide a guide to the content of high quality services for dementia

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12.	20 th May 2010	Supported Employment	Due to national changes suggested, the Committee may wish to consider how the proposals may affect individuals working under the Supported Employment regime.	Supported employment is widely recognised as a major way of helping disabled people get and sustain work. Research has shown that in the UK, supported employment is not yet delivering its full potential, at least in part due to a wider social policy framework that fails to accommodate this approach.
13.		Homelessness Housing Option: Lets Rent	The Committee will receive an updated position of the development of this housing option which assists the homeless to acquire and remain in high quality sustainable homes in the private sector.	At its meeting held on the 15 th October 2009, the Committee resolved to receive a progress report of the Let's Rent initiative since its adoption at the 10 th November Executive meeting
Previous Work Programme Items				
14.	3rd December 2009	Directorate Overview: Learning Disabilities	<i>The content of this Directorate Overview is currently being devised within the Directorate</i>	
15.		Substantial Variations & Developments of Health Services	To consider a framework on what constitutes a substantial variation.	The Committee may wish to discuss what constitutes substantial with local NHS Bodies and the Local Involvement Network (LINK) on an agreed definition in the local context and how consultation should be carried out.

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16.		NHS Beds Strategic Plan refresh	The Committee requested that Bedfordshire PCT bring back its Strategy for review by the OSC (and in line with minute ref JSC/08/26 of the <i>Joint Health Scrutiny Committee</i>) The Committee will receive a presentation of the report received by NHS Bedfordshire November Board meeting	<i>At its meeting held on the 30th July 2009, the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee resolved “to refresh the Strategy in light of the responses received, the responses to the recommendations of the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the need to update the financial scenarios based on the anticipated future financial situation.”</i>
17.		Quarter 2 Budget & Performance Information	To receive the Budget and Performance information for the Social Care Health and Housing Directorate.	The Committee will receive a statement of the position Directorate’s financial performance against budget for Q2
18.		Private Sector Housing Renewal Strategy	Central Bedfordshire Council has a requirement to have a strategy focussing on Private Sector Housing. The Committee will receive the Council’s approach to provide a rationalised service within the legacy authority’s areas.	At its meeting held on the 15 th October 2009, the Committee resolved <i>“that the Committee would review the draft Strategy at the November or December 2009 meeting of the Committee before it was submitted to the Executive in March 2010 for approval and adoption”</i>
19.	5th November 2009	The Central Bedfordshire Response to the Green Paper "Shaping the Future of Care Together"	To provide a response to the Social Care Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee prior to its report to Executive on the 10 th November 2009.	

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20.		Handover of BLPT Bedfordshire and Luton Mental Health and Social Care Partnership NHS Trust	Members will receive a report detailing the change in governance and management of Bedfordshire and Luton Mental Health and Social Care Partnership NHS Trust	
21.		Homelessness Housing Option: Lets Rent	The Committee will receive the current position in the development of this housing option which assists the homeless to acquire and remain in high quality sustainable homes in the private sector.	
22.	15th October 2009	Directorate Overview: Services to Carers	<i>The content of this Directorate Overview is currently being devised within the Directorate</i>	
23.		Provision of Breaks and Services to Carers	To approve the joint delivery and spending plan between Central Bedfordshire Council and NHS Bedfordshire to provide breaks and services to carers.	As an addendum to the Directorate Overview, the Committee will receive a report outlining the Council's position prior to its report to Executive on the 13 th October 2009
24.		Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Annual Report	The Committee to not the 2008/2009 annual report of the Adult Safeguarding Board for Bedfordshire.	
25.		Substantial Variations & Developments of Health Services	To consider a framework on what constitutes a substantial variation.	The Committee may wish to discuss what constitutes substantial with local NHS Bodies and the Local Involvement Network (LINK) on an agreed definition in the local context and how consultation should be carried out.

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26.		Private Sector Housing Renewal Strategy	Central Bedfordshire Council has a requirement to have a strategy focussing on Private Sector Housing. The Committee will receive the Council's approach to provide a rationalised service within the legacy authority's areas.	The Committee may wish to establish a Task Force to review this policy prior to it's receipt at Executive in February 2010
27.	10 th September 2009	LINK Update		The Committee will receive an update from Bedfordshire LINK on local health matters influencing LINK activity as defined by the Health and Social Care Act 2001.
28.		Key pressures effecting NHS Bedfordshire	Key pressures and drivers for improvement	<p>The presentation should focus on the key issues faced by NHS Bedfordshire, taking into account a local perspective on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishing an Arms Length Trading Organisation (ALTO) for the PCT's Provider Services • Principles for determining strategic locations for health infrastructure
29.		Quarter 1 Budget & Performance Information	To receive the Budget and Performance information for the Social Care Health and Housing Directorate.	The Committee will receive a statement of the position Directorate's financial performance against budget for Q1

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30.		Directorate Overview: Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults	To receive an overview of the Directorates approach to Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults.	The Committee will receive an outline presentation focussing on Central Bedfordshire's approach to providing a Safeguarding service for Adults. The purpose of the presentation is to also aid Members awareness and understanding of the Safeguarding service for Adults in need of such support
31.		Consultation Feedback: Homelessness Event	The Committee will receive feedback form the Stakeholder event held on the 27 th July 2009	Central Bedfordshire Council has a legal requirement to have a strategy focussing on the region's homeless. The Committee will receive the Council's approach to provide a rationalised service encompassing the needs of the demographic within the legacy authority's areas.
32.		Update on the Adult Social Care Recovery Plan	The Committee to consider an update of the Adult Social Care Recovery Plan	The Directorate will provide an update to the Social Care, Health and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Panel within the corporate performance monitoring framework.
33.	13th August 2009	Empty Dwellings Management Orders (EDMOs)	Member are asked to comment on a "pilot" EDMO with a view to being presented with a comprehensive Empty Homes Strategy	The committee may wish too consider a presentation and complementary report setting out the Council's position and a way forward.
34.		Substantial Variations & Developments of Health Services	To consider a framework on what constitutes substantial.	The Committee may wish to discuss what constitutes substantial with local NHS Bodies and the Local Involvement Network (LINK) on an agreed definition in the local context and how consultation should be carried out.

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Executive Dates:

12th January 2010; 9th February 2010; 9th March 2010; 6th April 2010

Briefings the Committee may wish to consider include:-				
35.		Learning Disabilities	DoH has launched this cross-government strategy for the next three years, which takes account of the responses to the consultation which ended in March 2008. In particular, this strategy addresses what people's experiences are of supporting people with learning disabilities and their families need.	The Committee may wish to consider how this affects it's communities
36.		A Strategy Older People	The Older People's Strategy, aims to challenge stereotyping of older people and provide a framework to develop a county in which older people have the support they need to lead active, healthy and independent lives.	The Committee may wish to consider how this affects it's communities
37.		Social Care Work Force	Working to Put People First: The Strategy for the Adult Social Care Workforce in England outlines the workforce implications of Putting People First and provides a high-level framework to support the transformation of the adult social care workforce.	The strategy is the result of collaboration between the Department of Health and its key partners in the adult social care sector. The Committee may wish to consider the local implications to its workforce
38.		Healthier Communities	Healthier Communities seeks to provide an overarching framework for achieving a	The Committee may wish to consider the local implications to its communities

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			vision of Central Bedfordshire as one of the healthiest places to live in the UK by improving health of residents and narrowing the gap in inequalities in health.	