

ADULT SERVICES AND HEALTH COMMISSION 28 May 2008

Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services

Role, Remit and Annual Work Programme of the ASH Commission

RECOMMENDATION

1.1 To consider the role and remit of the Commission and identify possible items for its 2008-09 annual work programme.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

2.1 All commissions are expected to consider and agree their annual work programme at the start of each new municipal year and submit them to the SMC for approval. The work programme should cover services that matter to local people and where the input from the Commission can make a difference but also need to be within the remit of the respective Commission. The remit of the ASH Commission covers:

Adult Social Services
Assessment and Care Planning
Health Improvement Planning
Health Services Partnerships – Adults
Mandatory and Discretionary Awards (Excluding Education Awards)
Community Centres
Community Grants
Supporting People
Youth Service
Adult Learning
All Health Scrutiny

- 2.2 The work programme should ideally include strategic policy issues as well as short topical reviews that can be scrutinised relatively quickly. The Commission may also undertake retrospective scrutiny of decisions that have already been taken and consider whether these are having the desired effect.
- 2.3 Adult Services and Health Commission has the additional statutory responsibility for health scrutiny which enables it to consider planning, provision and operation of health services in the city.

- 2.4 There are four NHS Health Trusts responsible for delivering health services to Derby residents. These include the Derby City Primary Care Trust, East Midlands Ambulance Services Trust, Derbyshire Mental Health Services Trust and Derby Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. Health scrutiny has been a significant area of work for the Commission over the last few years and members may wish to either select a health related topic or alternatively keep the programme flexible to respond to consultation on substantial variations or reconfiguration of services.
- 2.5 It is suggested that Members identify themes / issues that they wish to review during 2008/09 and give their suggestions to the Co-ordination Officer. These could then collated and presented to the July meeting for approval.

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Background papers: None

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Appendix 1

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None arising from this report.

Legal

2. The Local Authority (Overview and Scrutiny Committees Health Scrutiny Functions) Regulations 2002 gives health scrutiny committees powers to review any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services.

Personnel

3. None arising from this report.

Equalities impact

4. Effective scrutiny will benefit all Derby people.

Corporate Priorities

5. This report links with Council's priority for 2007-10 to help us all to be healthy and active.