

ADULT SERVICES AND HEALTH COMMISSION 22 June 2009

Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services

Annual Work Programme of the Adult Services and Health Commission

RECOMMENDATION

1.1 To consider the Commission's terms of reference and suggest items for the annual work programme 2009-10.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 At the beginning of the municipal year it is usual for each Overview and Scrutiny Commission to consider its work plan and to select any topics that they wish to review in the coming year. Reviews can cover anything that affects Derby and Commissions can if they wish review external as well as internal services in areas that are within their respective remits. The remit of the ASH Commission agreed at the Annual Council meeting includes:
 - Older peoples social services
 - Supporting people
 - Adult learning
 - Health services partnerships adults
 - Joint commissioning (adult health)
 - Health improvement planning
 - Assessment and care planning including fairer charging adults
 - Disability and sensory services adults
 - Learning disability and mental health services adults
 - Support for carers
 - Third sector adult support including Derby Compact
 - All health scrutiny
- 2.2 The Constitution limits Commissions to presenting one topic review report to the Council Cabinet every six months. This means that in theory it is possible for each Commission to conduct two reviews in each municipal year, as was achieved last year. Topic reviews are not mandatory, but if the Commission wishes to conduct one during the coming municipal year it is suggested that members should aim to have agreed on the review topic at the earliest opportunity. If members wish, a special topic selection meeting can be arranged for a date in July/August to assist in this process.

- 2.3 To enable the Commission to carry out its work plan it can draw on the Overview and Scrutiny budget which, for 2009/10 amounts to £24,000. This sum will need to be shared between the six Commissions.
- 2.4 In selecting topics for consideration the Commission should be mindful that the Strategic Health Authority NHS East Midlands has announced that it will be consulting on substantial reconfiguration of the service areas listed below. Although a Joint Health Scrutiny Committee will be established to consider and formally respond to the consultation, this joint committee will consist of two representatives from each of health scrutiny committees in the region wishing to take part, including the chair and vice chair of ASH. In order to consider and represent the best outcomes for Derby residents, this Commission may have to consider some of these issues and support the chair and vice chair in making these points at the Joint Committee. The service areas to be consulted by NHS East Midlands include:
 - Major Trauma November
 - Eating Disorders November (if required)
 - Mother and Baby Mental Health November (if required)
 - Acute Stroke December
 - Primary Angioplasty December
- 2.5 As part of its programme the Commission may wish to undertake a tour of the New Derby Hospital to consider now the transfer of services from DRI have bedded in. The Commission may also wish to take account of any issues submitted by Derby Links.
- 2.6 Members are asked to consider and suggest items for this years work programme.

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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 2008-11 in helping us all to be healthy, active and independent.