

Remit and 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 2010-11.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 At the beginning of the municipal year it is usual for Overview and Scrutiny Commissions to consider their work plans and select topics that they wish to review in the coming year. Reviews may cover anything within their respective remits that affects the city. It may include including internal as well as external services. The current remit of the ASH Commission covers the following areas:
 - 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 Council Constitution limits one topic review report to be submitted to the Council Cabinet every six months from scrutiny Commissions. This means that in theory it is possible for each Commission to conduct two reviews in each municipal year. Topic reviews are not mandatory, but if the Commission wishes to conduct in- depth reviews in the current year it is suggested that members should aim to have agreed on the review topic at the earliest opportunity.
- 2.3 To assist Commissions with their work plan they can draw on the overview and scrutiny budget which is shared between the six Commissions.

- 2.4 In selecting topics for consideration, members should be mindful that health bodies also bring items to the Commissions as part of their requirements for consultation and also keep members informed of minor developments. This is over and above their duty to consult on substantial reconfiguration of the service. The Commissions should therefore retain some capacity to respond to these requirements as and when they occur.
- 2.5 It is suggested that the Commission may wish to consider keeping themselves fully informed in health and social care developments. This may involve receiving regular briefing from key professionals and consultative forum as well as visiting health and social care premises such as residential care homes, Extra Care homes, Derby Royal hospital and walk in centres.
- 2.6 Members are asked to consider and suggest items for this years work programme.

For more information contact:	Mahroof Hussain 01332 255597 e-mail Mahroof.hussain@derby.gov.uk
Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 - Implications

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.