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| HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL |
| 29 MAY 2013 |
| WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14 |
| REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES |

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To consider the Panel's work programme for 2013/14, based on areas of work identified by the Panel at previous meetings and any further suggestions raised at this meeting.

2. Action required

- 2.1 The Panel is asked to note the work that is currently planned for municipal year 2013/14 and make amendments to this programme if considered appropriate.

3. Background information

- 3.1 The Health Scrutiny Panel is responsible for carrying out the overview and scrutiny role and responsibilities for health and social care matters and for exercising the Council's statutory role in scrutinising health services for the City. The terms of reference for the Panel is included elsewhere on this agenda.
- 3.2 The Panel is responsible for determining its own work programme to fulfil its terms of reference. The work programme is attached at Appendix 1. This is based on the provisional draft work programme that was considered by the Panel at its last meeting of 2012/13 municipal year in March.
- 3.3 The work programme is intended to be flexible so that issues which arise as the year progresses can be considered appropriately. This is likely to include consultations from health service providers about substantial variations and developments in health services that the Panel has statutory responsibilities in relation to.
- 3.4 Where there are a number of potential items that could be scrutinised in a given year, consideration of what represents the highest priority or area of risk will assist with work programme planning. Changes and/or additions to the work programme will need to take account of the resources available to the Committee.

3.5 Councillors are reminded of their statutory responsibilities as follows:

While a 'substantial variation or development' of health services is not defined in Regulations, a key feature is that there is a major change to services experienced by patients and future patients. Proposals may range from changes that affect a small group of people within a small geographical area to major reconfigurations of specialist services involving significant numbers of patients across a wide area.

This Panel has statutory responsibilities in relation to substantial variations and developments in health services set out in legislation and associated regulations and guidance. These are to consider the following matters in relation to any substantial variations or developments that impact upon those in receipt of services:

- (a) Whether, as a statutory body, the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been properly consulted within the consultation process;
- (b) Whether, in developing the proposals for service changes, the health body concerned has taken into account the public interest through appropriate patient and public involvement and consultation;
- (c) Whether a proposal for changes is in the interests of the local health service.

Councillors should bear these matters in mind when considering proposals.

3.6 Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire County Councils have established a Joint Health Scrutiny Committee which is responsible for scrutinising decisions made by NHS organisations, together with reviewing other health issues that impact on services accessed by both City and County residents.

4. List of attached information

4.1 The following information can be found in the appendix to this report:

Appendix 1 – Health Scrutiny Panel 2013/14 Work Programme

5. Background papers, other than published works or those disclosing exempt or confidential information

None

6. **Published documents referred to in compiling this report**

Report to and minutes of Health Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 28 March 2013

7. **Wards affected**

All

8. **Contact information**

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Health Scrutiny Panel 2013/14 Work Programme

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| 29 May 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CityCare Partnership Quality Account 2012/13 To consider CityCare Partnership's Quality Account 2012/13 and whether to make a statement for inclusion • Adult integrated care To consider the adult integrated care programme • 'Community case finders' hospital discharge To consider work to facilitate timely hospital discharge and prevent unnecessary hospital admissions through the 'community case finders' model |
| 24 July 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthwatch Protocol To agree a protocol for the working relationship between health scrutiny and Healthwatch Nottingham • Public health To take an overview of the Council's public health responsibilities and key priorities and challenges |
| 25 September 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality of care in care homes (tbc) <i>focus to be determined</i> • CityCare Partnership complaints To review how CityCare Partnership responds to patient comments and complaints |
| 27 November 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care at home (tbc) <i>focus to be determined</i> |

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| <p>29 January 2014</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CityCare Partnership Quality Account 2013/14 Preliminary consideration of priorities for CityCare Partnership's Quality Account 2013/14 |
| <p>26 March 2014</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthwatch Nottingham To review the first year since the establishment of Healthwatch Nottingham • Health and Wellbeing Board and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy To review the first year of Health and Wellbeing Board and progress in implementing the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy |

To schedule:

- Nottingham Local Account