

Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee

Work Programme 2023 – 2024

Meeting Date	Item	Recommendations / Actions	Progress
18 July 2023	Introduction to ASC	Items to be added to work programme: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- future of domiciliary care- self assessment ahead of CQC inspection- quality of care provision- transition from children to adult social care- growing needs for autism- workforce (possibly at OSC)	Items added to work programme. Future of domiciliary care, self assessment and quality of care items listed for 24 August meeting. Transition from children to ASC and growing needs for autism suggested to be taken at same meeting – added on work programme. Workforce to be discussed at joint ASC and Public Health and Health Integration on 30 November.
	Hastings Road Day Centre	Call-In withdrawn.	

<p>24 August 2023</p>	<p>Future of Domiciliary Care</p>	<p>The Commission recommended the tender be amended from providers requiring a minimum CQC inspection of 'Requires Improvement' with 'Good' in the 'well led' section, to overall inspection being 'Good'.</p> <p>The Commission requested items be added to the work programme including the reablement service and direct payments.</p> <p>The Commission requested information be provide on the breakdown of how the in-house reablement service rates are calculated.</p> <p>The Commission requested to be updated when the new contract is live regarding time banking and update on Unison's Ethical Charter for zero-hour contracts.</p>	<p>Recommendation endorsed and reflected in the new contractual arrangement.</p> <p>Added to the work programme.</p> <p>Information shared with members of the commission.</p> <p>Added to the work programme.</p>
	<p>Quality of Care Provision</p>	<p>The Commission agreed the report be noted.</p>	
	<p>Self-assessment of social care ahead of CQC visit</p>	<p>The Commission requested an item be added to the work programme on care package reviews to understand what is being done to address backlogs.</p> <p>The Commission requested to be updated on the visit once it has taken place.</p>	<p>Added to the work programme.</p> <p>Added to the work programme.</p>

5 October 2023	Hastings Road Day Centre Update	The Commission requested to be kept informed via an anonymised report on the progress of attendee transition to alternative provision.	Listed on the work programme for regular updates to be provided.
	Adult Social Care Improvement Journey	The Commission requested to be kept updated on the CQC assessment as appropriate.	Listed on the work programme to be allocated to date when further information is known.
	Adult Social Care Performance	<p>The Commission requested comparable data on workforce sickness at a national and regional level and asked if there are issues with recruitment and retention if there are any trends of why people may leave roles and any incentives to recruit.</p> <p>The Commission requested data on male carers.</p> <p>The Commission requested a metric to be provided to monitor performance of average number of people waiting to be discharged from hospital to social care and length of wait.</p>	<p>Officers noted the requests from members in relation to the workforce and will be incorporated in a report on the topic at the next meeting.</p> <p>A metric has been created and will be used for performance reporting to the Commission moving forward.</p>
	Work Programme	The Commission requested that direct payments and reviews be listed for meetings in the New Year.	Listed on the work programme.
	AOB	<p>The Commission requested information to be shared in writing in relation to the financial impact of the Authority reducing the allowance made in the rates paid for home care for the provider to make a surplus.</p> <p>The Commission requested an update be provided following the consultation on the Charing Policy and before any decision.</p>	<p>Information shared with Members of the Commission.</p> <p>Added to the work programme.</p>

<p>30 November 2023</p> <p><i>*Joint meeting with Public Health and Health Integration</i></p>	<p>Workforce</p>	<p>Information to be provided to Members on the timeframe regarding projections of increasing workforce posts.</p> <p>Officers to check whether there is any data regarding membership to trade unions and if available to be provided to Members.</p> <p>Data to be provided on the demographics of senior management.</p> <p>Officers to review the process for auditing providers where an employee has expressed a preference to have a zero-hour contract.</p> <p>Officers to review the ‘Inspire to Care’ website, particularly regarding references to apprentices.</p> <p>Apprentices to be added to the work programme for the Commission to track developments in the workforce.</p>	<p>Information provided.</p> <p>Information provided.</p> <p>To be included in the contract monitoring framework, and the annual quality assurance framework.</p> <p>Feedback shared with the website management who reviewed the webpages and completed an overhaul of the apprenticeship page and included a link from the main page to improve visibility.</p> <p>Listed on the work programme.</p>
	<p>Leicester Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report</p>	<p>Consideration to be given to incorporating VCSE representation on the Board.</p> <p>Data to be provided on recruitment of Ukrainian refugees.</p>	<p>With LSAB for consideration.</p> <p>Information provided.</p>
	<p>Mental Health</p>	<p>Additional information to be provided on autistic patients and the inpatient unit.</p>	<p>Information provided.</p>

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	<p>Drug & Alcohol Services</p> <p>Dementia Strategy</p>	<p>Death by suicide to be added to a work programme.</p> <p>Consideration to be given on evaluating the No 5 Wet Centre.</p> <p>Drink and Drugs News Article referenced in the presentation to be circulated to members.</p> <p>The Commission noted the report.</p>	<p>Added to the Public Health & Health Integration Scrutiny Commission work programme.</p> <p>Officers reviewing.</p> <p>Article circulated.</p>
<p>25 January 2024</p>	<p>Draft General Fund Budget & Capital Programme 2024/25</p> <p>Charging Policy</p> <p>Direct Payments</p> <p>Hastings Road Update</p> <p>Response to the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission Task Group – Understanding the increasing cost of care packages within Adult Social Care budgetary pressures</p>	<p>The Commission noted the report.</p> <p>Further reports to be shared with the Commission regarding budget monitoring.</p> <p>The Commission noted the report and requested the item remain on the work programme for an update of the consultation response.</p> <p>The Commission noted the report.</p> <p>The Commission to continue to be updated.</p> <p>The Commission noted the report.</p>	<p>Listed on work programme.</p> <p>Item listed to be discussed on 7 March 2024.</p> <p>Item listed for update on 7 March 2024.</p>

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7 March 2024	<p>Charging Policy</p> <p>Reablement Service</p> <p>Growing Needs of Autism</p> <p>Draft External Workforce Strategy</p> <p>Carer Support Service Update</p> <p>Hastings Road Update</p>		

Forward Plan Items (suggested)

Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
Care Package Reviews	To be scheduled for the first meeting of the 2024/25 municipal year.	
Death by Suicide	Agreed at the Joint Adult Social Care and Public Health and Health Integration Meeting on 30 November that the item be listed on the work programme.	
Workforce	Agreed at the Joint Adult Social Care and Public Health and Health Integration Meeting on 30 November that the item remain on the work programme and there be particular tracking of apprentices.	

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Customer Services – ASC Enquiries	Commission to be updated specifically on ASC call handling following report at OSC.	
Cost of living re provision of care impacts update		
Assured Plans and Market Sustainability, including fair cost of care		
Assistive Aids and Technology		
ASC Budget Monitoring		
Winter Planning	Discussed at the Joint Meeting of the Public Health & Health Integration Scrutiny Commission and the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission on 12 September 2023.	12 September 2023
Healthwatch Annual Report		
Hastings Road Day Centre Update	Regular updates to be provided to the commission as appropriate.	
Adult Social Care CQC Assessment	Requested to be added to work programme at meeting on 24 August 2023. Reinforced at meeting on 5 October to be discussed at the appropriate time.	
Domiciliary Care Contracts	Requested to be added to work programme at meeting on 24 August 2023.	