Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee

Work Programme 2023 – 2024

Meeting Date	Item	Recommendations / Actions	Progress
18 July 2023	Introduction to ASC Hastings Road Day Centre	Items to be added to work programme: - 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- transition from children to adult social care - growing needs for autism - workforce (possibly at OSC) Call-In withdrawn.	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.

24 August 2023	Future of Domiciliary Care	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'. The Commission requested items be added to the work programme including the reablement service and direct payments. The Commission requested information be provide on the breakdown of how the in-house reablement service rates are calculated. 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.	Recommendation endorsed and reflected in the new contractual arrangement. Added to the work programme. Information shared with members of the commission. Added to the work programme.
	Quality of Care Provision	The Commission agreed the report be noted.	
	Self-assessment of social care ahead of CQC visit	The Commission requested an item be added to the work programme on care package reviews to understand what is being done to address backlogs. The Commission requested to be updated on the visit once it has taken place.	Added to the work programme. Added to the work programme.

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	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.	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.
		The Commission requested data on male carers.	
		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.	A metric has been created and will be used for performance reporting to the Commission moving forward.
	Work Programme	The Commission requested that direct payments and reviews be listed for meetings in the New Year.	Listed on the work programme.
	AOB	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.	Information shared with Members of the Commission.
		The Commission requested an update be provided following the consultation on the Charing Policy and before any decision.	Added to the work programme.

30 November	Workforce	Information to be provided to Members on the timeframe regarding projections of increasing workforce posts.	Information provided.
*Joint meeting		Officers to check whether there is any data regarding membership to trade unions and if available to be provided to Members.	
with Public Health and Health		Data to be provided on the demographics of senior management.	Information provided.
Integration		Officers to review the process for auditing providers where an employee has expressed a preference to have a zero-hour contract.	To be included in the contract monitoring framework, and the annual quality assurance framework.
		Officers to review the 'Inspire to Care' website, particularly regarding references to apprentices.	Feedback has been shared with the website management who have agreed to review.
		Apprentices to be added to the work programme for the Commission to track developments in the workforce.	Listed on the work programme.
	Leicester Safeguarding Adults Board Annual	Consideration to be given to incorporating VCSE representation on the Board.	With LSAB for consideration.
	Report	Data to be provided on recruitment of Ukrainian refugees.	Information provided.
	Mental Health	Additional information to be provided on autistic patients and the inpatient unit.	Information provided.
		Death by suicide to be added to a work programme.	Added to the Public Health & Health Integration Scrutiny Commission work programme.

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	Drug & Alcohol Services	Consideration to be given on evaluating the No 5 Wet Centre.	Officers reviewing.
		Drink and Drugs News Article referenced in the presentation to be circulated to members.	Article circulated.
	Dementia Strategy	The Commission noted the report.	
25 January 2024	Draft General Fund Budget & Capital Programme 2024/25		
	Charging Policy		
	Direct Payments		
	Hastings Road Update		
	Response to the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission Task Group – Understanding the increasing cost of care packages within Adult Social Care budgetary pressures		

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7 March 2024	Suggested items tbc: Charging Policy Care Package Reviews Growing Needs of Autism Carers Update Hastings Road Update		

Forward Plan Items (suggested)

Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
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.	
Drug & Alcohol Services	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.	
Enablement Service	Commission to be provided a briefing note on proposed savings.	

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.	
Reablement Service	Requested to be added to work programme at meeting on 24 August 2023.	
	Requested to be added to work programme at meeting on 24	
Adult Social Care CQC Assessment	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.	