

CUMBRIA HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Meeting date: 7 October 2019

From: Policy and Scrutiny Team

COMMITTEE BRIEFING REPORT

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report updates the Committee on developments in health scrutiny, the Committee's Work Programme and monitoring of actions not covered elsewhere on the Committee's agenda.

2.0 ISSUES FOR SCRUTINY

The Committee are asked to:

- (i) Receive an update on the Joint Cumbria and Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee
- (ii) Receive an update on the appointment of a Joint Health Scrutiny Committee for the whole Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System
- (iii) Receive an update from the Joint Health and Adults Scrutiny Advisory Group
- (iv) Appoint new Members of the Variation Sub Committee
- (v) Review the existing Work Programme.

3.0 UPDATES

Joint Cumbria and Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee

- 3.1 The Joint Cumbria and Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee met on the 6th September 2019.
- 3.2 The Committee examined plans for the following services :
 - Community beds, Ophthalmology, ENT
 - Renal Dialysis Services
 - Stroke Services
- 3.3 The draft minutes from the Committee are attached at Appendix 1 for information.

- 3.4 For clarification the existing Committee only scrutinises changes to Health Services for the Morecambe Bay area, the subsequent section briefs Members on arrangements being put in place for the whole of Lancashire and South Cumbria.

The appointment of a Joint Health Scrutiny Committee for the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System

- 3.5 Lancashire County Council is taking the lead on establishing the Joint Committee.
- 3.6 A draft Terms of Reference has been produced and is attached at Appendix 2 for consideration and high level feedback.
- 3.7 The Chair of the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee, Chair of the Joint Cumbria and Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee and the Strategic Policy and Scrutiny Advisor will be attending the Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee - Steering Group meeting on the 16th October where the Terms of Reference will be finalised.
- 3.8 Once finalised the Terms of Reference and the request to establish a Joint Committee will be considered by Cumbria Council's Constitution Review Group with ultimate approval by full Council.

Joint Health and Adults Scrutiny Advisory Group

- 3.9 The Scrutiny Management Board has agreed to the request from this Board and the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee that the Joint Advisory Group continue for a further twelve months.
- 3.10 The next meeting of the Group will be on Tuesday 22nd October 1:00pm – 3:00pm in Training Suite A+B at Cumbria House.
- 3.11 This will focus on the work being undertaken to prevent and mitigate the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) throughout life. ACEs are stressful or traumatic events, which can happen in childhood and result in damaging effects to long-term mental health and even lead to health harming behaviours like drug misuse, overeating, unprotected sex and smoking.
- 3.12 Due to its cross cutting nature, members of the Children's Scrutiny Board have been invited to participate in this meeting

Variation Sub Committee

- 3.13 The Cumbria Health Scrutiny Variation Sub Committee discharges the functions of the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee in relation to Stage One of the Substantial Variation protocol. The Terms of Reference are attached at Appendix 3 for information.
- 3.14 The Sub-Committee is made up from representatives drawn from each of the district areas, which may be a District or County Council member for that area.
- 3.15 Due to the District elections there are a number of vacancies in the Membership which the Committee are asked to appoint Members to:

Allerdale	Vacant
Copeland	Mr C Whiteside
Eden	Mr N Hughes
Carlisle	Vacant
South Lakeland	Vacant
Barrow	Mr S Wielkopolski

3.16 The Variation Sub Committee is only convened when there is a proposed variation of Health Services and there is uncertainty as to whether this should be deemed as 'Substantial'. If there is consensus that a proposed variation is 'Substantial' then it comes straight to the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee for consideration. The Committee's Substantial Variation Protocol is attached at Appendix 4 for information.

4.0 WORK PROGRAMME

4.1 The Committee's work programme is attached at Appendix 5 for the Committee to consider and review.

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Appendices

- Appendix 1 - Draft Minutes of the Joint Cumbria and Lancashire Health Scrutiny Committee - 6th September 2019
- Appendix 2 - Draft Terms of Reference for the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee for the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System
- Appendix 3 - Cumbria Health Scrutiny Variation Sub Committee Terms of Reference
- Appendix 4 - Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee Substantial Variation Protocol
- Appendix 5 - Work Programme

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