

**Report to:** East Sussex Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC)

**Date of meeting:** 21 September 2017

**By:** Assistant Chief Executive

**Title:** HOSC Work Programme

**Purpose:** To consider the committee's work programme and minutes of the various joint HOSC working groups

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1) To agree the work programme.**
  - 2) To note the minutes of the joint HOSC working groups; and**
  - 3) To agree any specific questions or lines of enquiry that the sub-group members should raise on behalf of HOSC at future meetings.**
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## **1 Background**

1.1 The work programme contains the proposed agenda items for future HOSC meetings and is included on the agenda for each committee meeting.

1.2 The work programme also lists a number of ongoing joint HOSC sub-groups set up to meet with and scrutinise NHS organisations that provide services across multiple local authority areas. The minutes of the most recent meetings of these working groups are included as appendices to this report.

## **2 Supporting information**

2.1 The work programme is attached as appendix 1 to this report. It contains the proposed agenda items for the upcoming HOSC meetings, as well as other HOSC work going on outside of the formal meetings, including the joint HOSC sub-groups.

2.2 Each Joint HOSC sub-group has between one and three representatives from East Sussex HOSC. Joint HOSC working groups have been set up to scrutinise the following issues:

### **Ambulance Services**

- A joint South East Coast area HOSC sub-group set up to scrutinise South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust's (SECAmb) response to the findings of the recent Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection and the Trust's wider recovery plan. Meets approximately 4 times per year. Membership: Cllr Belsey and Cllr O'Keeffe. Most recent minutes attached at **appendix 2**.

### **Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust (BSUH)**

- A joint working group with West Sussex and Brighton and Hove HOSCs set up to scrutinise BSUH's response to the findings of recent CQC inspections and the Trust's wider recovery plan. Meets approximately 4 times per year. Membership: Cllrs Belsey, O'Keeffe and Howell (substitute: Cllr Murray). Most recent minutes attached at **appendix 3**.

### **Mental health services**

- A Joint Sussex HOSC sub-group to scrutinise Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SPFT) response to the findings of recent CQC inspections and the Trust's wider quality improvement plan. It also considers other mental health issues, including the ongoing reconfiguration of dementia inpatient beds in East Sussex. Meets approximately 3 times per

year. Membership: Cllrs Belsey, O'Keeffe and Osborne. Most recent minutes attached at **appendix 4**.

2.3 The HOSC work programme will be updated and published online following this meeting. A link to the forward plan is available on the [HOSC webpages](#).

### **3 Conclusion and reasons for recommendations**

3.1 The work programme sets out HOSC's work both during formal meetings and outside of them. The minutes of the joint HOSC meetings will help to inform all HOSC Members and the public about the issues being scrutinised.

3.2 HOSC members are asked to agree the work programme (subject to the addition of other items identified during the meeting), note the minutes of the HOSC sub-groups, and ask HOSC sub-group representatives to raise any specific identified issues with the relevant NHS organisations at future sub-group meetings.

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