

Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Work Programme

Current Scrutiny Reviews		
Title of Review	Detail	Proposed Completion Date
Kent and Medway Stroke Review Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	A Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) was established in March 2018 comprising two members of East Sussex HOSC, plus representatives from Kent County Council, Medway Council and the London Borough of Bexley to consider the NHS proposals to reconfigure stroke services in Kent and Medway. The proposals involve reconfiguring seven existing Acute Stroke Units (ASU) in Kent and Medway to three Hyper Acute Stroke Units (HASUs). The NHS consulted on five options for configuration over the summer and is due to make a decision on a preferred option by December 2018. HOSC is expected to consider the JHOSC's report and recommendations along with the CCGs' final decision at its 28 March 2019 meeting and will take a decision on whether the proposals are in the best interests of the health service for East Sussex residents. Membership: Cllr Belsey and Howell (Sub: Cllr Davies)	28 March 2019

Urgent Treatment Centres (UTC) in Eastbourne and Hastings	The Committee agreed in March 2018 that proposals to establish UTCs by relocating the walk-in centres from Eastbourne Station and Station Plaza in Hastings to the Eastbourne District General Hospital (EDGH) and Conquest Hospital, respectively, constituted a 'substantial variation of health services' requiring the Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) to formally consult with the Committee. The Committee established a review board to consider the UTC proposals in more detail and consider the outcomes of the proposed public consultation. The review board has met twice so far. Following the pause in the NHS 111 procurement process, the CCGs agreed to review the UTC plans. HOSC agreed to pause its review until such time as the UTC plans are re-developed. Membership: Cllrs Belsey (Chair), Turner, Barnes and Coles and Jennifer Twist.	TBC 2019
Initial Scoping Reviews		
Subject area for initial scoping	Detail	Proposed Dates
Sussex Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	A Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee may need to be established during the autumn to consider any Sussex-wide proposals from the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) and Clinically Effective Commissioning programme that are deemed to be a 'substantial variation' to existing health services'. To date there has been no indication of specific substantial variations but it is a	29 November 2018
	statutory requirement to consider any such proposals that affect more than one local authority area via a JHOSC.	

Suggested Topic	Detail
Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) services	The Committee may need to consider proposals for the future provision of ENT services at East Sussex
	Healthcare NHS Trust (ESHT).
Preventative aspects of East Sussex	Possible item for future scrutiny identified at HOSC away day – February 2018.
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Scrutiny Reference Groups

Reference Group Title	Subject Area	Meetings Dates
Brighton & Sussex University Hospital (BSUH) NHS Trust HOSC working group	A joint Sussex HOSCs working group to scrutinise the BSUH response to the findings of recent Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspections and the Trust's wider improvement plan. CQC re-inspection report anticipated. Membership: Cllrs Belsey, Murray and Howell	Last meeting: 4 April 2018 Next meeting: TBC Oct 2018
Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SPFT) HOSC working group	Regular meetings with SPFT and other Sussex HOSCs to consider the Trust's response to CQC inspection findings and other mental health issues, including ongoing reconfiguration of dementia inpatient beds in East Sussex. Membership: Cllr Belsey, Bowdler and Osborne	Last meeting: 11 September 2018 Next meeting: TBC 2019
The Sussex and East Surrey Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) HOSC working group	Regular liaison meetings of HOSC Chairs in the STP footprint with STP Executive Chair and Communications and Engagement lead to update on STP progress. Membership: HOSC Chair (Cllr Belsey) and officer	Last meeting: 29 June 2018 Next meeting: 26 September 2018
Regional NHS liaison	Regular (approx. 4 monthly) liaison meetings of South East Coast area HOSC Chairs with NHS England Area Team and other regional/national organisations as required e.g. NHS Improvement, NHS Property, CQC	Last meeting: 10 May 2018 Next meeting:

	Membership: HOSC Chair (Cllr Belsey) and officer	TBC Nov 2018
Reports for Information		
Subject Area	Detail	Proposed Date
Patient Transport Service (PTS)	The Committee received email updates on the first year's performance of the PTS following a contract transfer to South Central Ambulance Service in April 2017. The final performance update was circulated in July 2018 along with a report by Healthwatch on PTS. Overall improvement is shown but with some continued areas for improvement. The Committee will consider any future reports by Healthwatch before determining if further scrutiny is required.	TBC
Quality of Maternity Services	Following the report considered by the committee in March 2018, further briefings on postnatal care and the development of ante-natal care (in terms of preventing stillbirths) were requested.	Circulated June and September 2018
Cancer Care Performance	HOSC requested a future report on cancer care performance figures at local NHS trusts to be circulated initially by email.	Autumn 2018
Training and Development		
Title of Training/Briefing	Detail	Proposed Date
Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS) National health scrutiny and assurance conference	A conference organised by CfPS to explore current and future health policy and issues and identify the role of health scrutiny committees. To be attended by the Chair and Vice Chair	14 September 2018
Committee away day	The Committee requested a follow-up to the away day held in February 2018 to focus on questioning skills and possible future areas of scrutiny.	TBC 2019

Future Committee Agenda Items		Author	
All meetings			
Committee Work Programme	To manage the committee's programme of work including matters relating to ongoing reviews, initial scoping reviews, future scrutiny topics, reference groups, training and development matters and reports for information.	Senior Democratic Services Adviser	
29 November 2018			
Mental Health Services in East Sussex	To consider Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust's plans to develop inpatient mental health services in East Sussex.	Representative of Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SPFT)	
Winter Planning	To consider the robustness of local plans for managing winter pressures. To include the local health system approach to minimising delayed transfers of care due to NHS reasons.	Representatives of CCGs & ESHT	
28 March 2019	28 March 2019		
Kent and Medway Stroke Review	To consider the outcome of the Kent and Medway Stroke Review in terms of the CCGs' proposed service configuration. Note: Timing is provisional depending on the NHS decision making process.	Kent and Medway Sustainability and Transformation Partnership, HWLH CCG	
South East Coast Ambulance Service Performance and Improvement	To consider an update on the Ambulance Trust's performance and improvement. Timing provisional dependent on an anticipated Care Quality Commission inspection.	Representative of South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust (SECAmb)	