

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

**Date of meeting:** 4 March 2021

**By:** Assistant Chief Executive

**Title:** Work Programme

**Purpose:** To agree the Committee's work programme

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## RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended to:

- 1) agree the updated work programme at appendix 1; and
  - 2) Identity any specific issues to be raised with NHS organisations through HOSC Working Groups.
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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 This report also provides an update on other work going on outside the Committee's main meetings.

### 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. The updated work programme will be published online following this meeting. The [HOSC work programme is also available online](#).

2.2. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a number of items in the work programme have been delayed, however, most now have assigned dates.

### HOSC Working Groups

2.3. Both active Joint HOSC sub-groups have three representatives from East Sussex HOSC. The two joint HOSC sub-groups have been set up to scrutinise the following Trusts:

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

- A joint sub-group with West Sussex and Brighton and Hove HOSCs. It was set up originally to scrutinise BSUH's response to the findings of recent CQC inspections and the Trust's wider performance and quality improvement plans, however, the Trust is now rated good by the CQC and Members agreed to change the focus of the working group to horizon-scanning, and identifying new initiatives and issues. Meets approximately twice per year. Membership: Cllrs Belsey. There are currently two vacancies.

#### Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SPFT)

- A joint Sussex HOSCs sub-group set up originally to scrutinise SPFT's response to the findings of CQC inspections and the Trust's wider quality improvement plan. The Trust is now rated as good by the CQC so the Members have agreed to reduce the frequency of meetings and change the focus of the working group to horizon-scanning, and identifying new initiatives and issues. Meets approximately twice per year. Membership: Cllrs Belsey, Pragnell and Osborne.

### **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 committee is asked to consider and agree the updated work programme.

3.2 HOSC members are also invited to request that HOSC sub-group representatives raise any specific identified issues with the relevant NHS organisations at future sub-group meetings.

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