

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Health and Wellbeing Board
2.	Date:	29th February, 2012
3.	Title:	Health Scrutiny Work Programme
4.	Directorate:	Resources

5. Summary

The health scrutiny work programme for January to July 2012 has now been agreed by the Health Select Commission and Overview and Scrutiny Management Board. It is being presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board for information and to flag up areas of work where partners may need to be involved.

6. Recommendations

That the Health and Wellbeing Board:

- **Notes the overall Health Scrutiny work programme**
- **Notes the areas of work in the plan which will require partner involvement and cooperation**

7. Background

The health scrutiny work programme has been put together by scrutiny members, in consultation with RMBC Strategic Leadership Team and other partners where appropriate (appendix A).

The programme is being presented to the HWBB for information as it has been agreed for this to happen for all future health scrutiny plans. This will ensure that the programme links with the wider health and wellbeing agenda and that all partners are aware of the areas of work being looked at by scrutiny and are able to feed into this where appropriate. The programme has been agreed up until July 2012, although it is noted as being a flexible programme to enable items to be prioritised if felt appropriate, it will also allow for further items to be added where necessary.

There are two items in the programme which the Health Select Commission would particularly like to flag up with the HWBB:

1) The scrutiny review of continuing healthcare – the scoping document for this review is attached as appendix B to this report for information, as there will be a requirement for NHS partners to be involved in this review

2) The Health Select Commission would like to hold a session at their April meeting (19 April, 9.30am) on the HWBB, including a progress update, work plan and partnership arrangements and Cllr Wyatt has agreed to attend.

The Chair and Vice-chair of the Health Select Commission would like to invite other representatives of the HWBB to attend this meeting if possible to join in a discussion about the board and to consider how scrutiny can compliment the board's work programme, as well as to build relationships, particularly between scrutiny members and the Clinical Commissioning Group.

8. Finance

There are no direct financial implications resulting from the content of this report.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

It is noted that the health and wellbeing agenda is changing rapidly and there are still many uncertainties, which is why the health scrutiny work plan will need to remain flexible to be able to take on and look at new issues as they arise.

Scrutiny members are also aware of the new partnerships, particularly in relation to the Clinical Commissioning Group, and are keen to build strong working relationships with these key partners.

10. Background Papers and Consultation

Health Select Commission work programme – January – July 2012 (Appendix A)

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