

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Health Select Commission
2.	Date:	17 April 2014
3.	Title:	Work Programme 2013/14 – update and forward planning
4.	Directorate:	Resources

5. Summary

This report provides the Health Select Commission with an update progress on the delivery to date, summarising achievements and changes that have taken place. It also reports on future agenda items and potential themes going forward into 2014/15.

6. Recommendation

That Members:

- **Note achievements so far.**
- **Consider the implications for the rest of this year’s work programme**
- **Consider the approach it would like to adopt for 2014/15 work programme**

7. Proposals and Details

The work programme for 2013/14 was agreed at the OSMB meeting on the 28 June 2013. Two additional items were subsequently added to the original work programme during the year – Childhood Obesity and Support for Carers, with Mental Health deferred as a result. The work programme is attached at Appendix A, including a column on progress. This report provides Members with an update on the progress made to date.

In summary the results so far include:

- 7 out of the 9 items on the work programme have been completed.
- 1 out of the 9 items is at early stage
- 1 out of the 9 items was removed from the work programme
- Extra meeting held with single agenda item – update from Rotherham Foundation Trust on their plans
- The Select Commission has completed two full reviews this year, in line with its target set by OSMB at the beginning of the year, plus a mini-review.

Forward Planning

Items still to be considered:

Scrutiny review:

- Contenance

Update reports:

- Better Care Fund – final action plan (June)
- Public Health Annual Report (July)
- Health and Wellbeing Strategy Workstreams
 - Poverty (June)
 - Prevention and Early Intervention (July)
- Emergency Care Centre (July)
- Healthwatch (July)

Quality Accounts

- Rotherham Foundation Trust (June)

Future work programme - items suggested to date, in addition to the standard items such as monitoring reports and quality accounts:

- Mental Health (deferred from 2014-5)
- Special Schools – Nurses and School Nursing Service
- Commissioning Support Unit – Continuing Health Care

The update reports requested by Members have been scheduled as above before the Summer recess and the scrutiny review of continence services should be completed by the recess. Members should consider further items which could be considered as part of the work programme for 2014/15.

By way of an update, the other Select Commissions are also looking at their forward planning for 2014/15. The Improving Places Select Commission are focusing predominantly on one theme for the year – the local economy following from their current review, and the Improving Lives Select Commission programme is likely to be focused around the theme of Safeguarding. It has also been suggested that the theme of DWP work and other programmes will be the focus for OSMB. Health Select Commission may well therefore wish to consider whether its work programme could be focused around such a theme and whether that should be Mental Health and Wellbeing in line with its main review.

8. Finance

No direct financial implications.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

The development of a clear work programme maximises the potential for Scrutiny to have an impact and mitigates against the risk of using resources with little impact or outcome. It does, however, need to maintain flexibility to allow for uncertainties to be accommodated within the planning process.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The Scrutiny work programme aims to add value to corporate priorities by addressing key policy and performance priorities. These are taken into consideration when defining the work programme on an annual basis.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Work Programme Report to OSMB 28 June 2013.

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Appendix A Health Select Commission work programme 2013-14:

Subject	Source	Work category	Scope	Progress
Excess Medication	Scrutiny	Initial report	Aim to find ways to reduce wastage and save resources	Report received March. Future update on progress of actions outlined. Possible pilot in RMBC residential care homes.
Continence Services	Scrutiny	Initial report	Aim to find ways for more preventive approaches and save resources	Initial discussions with review Chair and desk research commenced.
How to improve health in Rotherham	Cabinet/SLT	Progress Reports	This is a wide area – work with Health and Wellbeing Board on Health and Wellbeing strategy monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HWB strategy Report received on progress – prompted two workstreams to be selected for more in depth updates – scheduled for June and July. • Public Health Report received on outcomes framework showing key indicators/domains and links to HWBS. PH annual report scheduled in July
Access to GPs	Scrutiny	Full Review	To follow on from issues raised in Urgent Care review	Review completed, reports progressing through system.
Continuing Health care for Children and Young People	Officer	Report	Follow on from Adults review	Deleted from work programme as issue addressed by RMBC/RCCG. But other aspects to be considered at a future meeting.
School Nursing Service	Scrutiny	Initial report – potential review	This will be scoped with initial report	Presentation and new specification received March. Special schools - future meeting.
Mental Health Services	Scrutiny	Initial report – potential review	This will be scoped with initial report	Deferred to 2014-15 due to additions to work programme
Sexual Health Services	Scrutiny	Initial report – potential review	This will be scoped with initial report	Report received January. Future update on progress.
Additions				
Support for Carers	Cabinet	Full Review	Extent to which carers are able to access info which helps them access support and services that meet their specific needs as carers	Review completed. Final report received in January. Cabinet response imminent.
Childhood Obesity	Self Regulation	Mini Review	Re-commissioning of childhood obesity services.	Mini review completed. Final report received in September. Monitoring report in autumn.