

Healthier Communities and Older People Work Programme 2014/15



This table sets out the Healthier Communities and Older People Panel Work Programme for 2014/15 that was agreed by the Panel at its meeting on 3rd September 2014. This Work Programme will be considered at every meeting of the Panel to enable it to respond to issues of concern and incorporate reviews or to comment upon pre-decision items ahead of their consideration by Cabinet/Council.

The work programme table shows items on a meeting by meeting basis, identifying the issue under review, the nature of the scrutiny (pre decision, policy development, issue specific, performance monitoring, partnership related) and the intended outcomes. The last page provides information on items on the Council's Forward Plan that relate to the portfolio of the Healthier Communities and Older People Panel so that these can be added to the work programme should the Commission wish to.

The Panel is asked to identify any work programme items that would be suitable for the use of an informal preparatory session (or other format) to develop lines of questioning (as recommended by the 2009 review of the scrutiny function).

The Healthier Communities and Older People Panel has specific responsibilities regarding Budget and Business Plan Scrutiny and Performance Monitoring for which Lead Members are appointed:

Councillor Suzanne Grocott is lead for Performance Management
All papers members will take responsibility for Budget Scrutiny.

Scrutiny Support

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Meeting Date 03 September 2014

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Policy Development	Overview of the key issues in adult social care	Report to the Panel	Rahat Ahmed- Man, Head of Commissioning	Panel to decide if they want to look at any area in more detail.
Policy Development	Merton Clinical Commissioning Group – Overview of key issues and priorities	Report to the Panel	Adam Doyle	Panel to decide if they want to look at any area in more detail.
Policy Development	Overview of the key issues in public health	Report to the Panel	Kay Eilbert	Panel to decide if they want to look at any area in more detail.
	Work programme 2014-15	Report to Panel	Cllr McCabe	Panel to agree work programme for the year ahead

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Meeting date – 22 October 2014

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Policy Development	Challenges in getting a GP Appointment in Merton	Report to the Panel	NHS England	Panel to decide if they want to look at any area in more detail.
Policy Development	Changes to Local GP services in Merton	Report to the Panel	NHS England	Panel to decide if they want to look at any area in more detail.
Policy Development	Healthwatch Merton report on GP services	Report to Panel	Dave Curtis Healthwatch Merton Manager	Panel to review progress in this area

Meeting date – 12 November 2014

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Budget scrutiny	Budget update	Report to the Panel	Caroline Holland, Director of Corporate Services	To review budget proposals
Policy Development	End of life Care	Report to the Panel	Caroline Farrar, Merton Clinical Commissioning Group	Panel to decide if they want to look at any area in more detail.

Meeting Date – 14 January Budget Meeting

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Budget scrutiny	Budget and Business Plan 2015-2019	Report to the Panel	Caroline Holland, Director of Corporate Services, Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	To review budget proposals.

Meeting date – 11 February 2015

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Policy Development	Update from the Health and Wellbeing Board	Report to Panel	Dr Kay Eilbert	Look at the progress with the work of the Board
Policy Development	Health and Wellbeing	Report to the Panel	Dr Kay Eilbert	Review the revised

	Strategy			strategy.
	Feedback from the adult social care consultation	Report to the Panel		

Meeting date – 17 March 2015

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Policy Development	Cancer Screening	Report to the Panel	NHS England	Panel to scrutinise cancer screening rates for Merton
Policy Development	Mental Health review	Report to Panel	Dr Anjah Ghosh	Panel to consider outcomes of review of mental health services
Policy Development	Health issues in the Polish Community	Report to panel	Polish Family Association/ MCCG	To consider how to improve services for polish community to increase GP registration and less reliance on A&E