

		THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
Boston Borough Council	East Lindsey District Council	City of Lincoln Council	Lincolnshire County Council
North Kesteven District Council	South Holland District Council	South Kesteven District Council	West Lindsey District Council

Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, the Director Responsible for Democratic Services

Report to	Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire
Date:	23 July 2014
Subject:	Work Programme

Summary:

This item invites the Committee to consider and comment on its work programme.

The Committee is also invited to consider its meeting arrangements in advance of the General Election on 7 May 2015.

Actions Required:

- (1) To consider and comment on the content of the work programme.
- (2) To hold a meeting of the Committee on 11 March 2015 instead of 18 March 2015.
- (3) To cancel the meeting of the Committee scheduled for 22 April 2015.

1. The Committee's Work Programme

The work programme for the Committee's meetings over the next few months is attached at Appendix A to this report, which includes a list of items to be programmed.

Set out below are the definitions used to describe the types of scrutiny, relating to the proposed items in the work programme:

Budget Scrutiny - The Committee is scrutinising the previous year's budget, the current year's budget or proposals for the future year's budget.

Pre-Decision Scrutiny - The Committee is scrutinising a proposal, prior to a decision on the proposal by the Executive, the Executive Councillor or a senior officer.

Performance Scrutiny - The Committee is scrutinising periodic performance, issue specific performance or external inspection reports.

Policy Development - The Committee is involved in the development of policy, usually at an early stage, where a range of options are being considered.

Consultation - The Committee is responding to (or making arrangements to respond to) a consultation, either formally or informally. This includes pre-consultation engagement.

Status Report - The Committee is considering a topic for the first time where a specific issue has been raised or members wish to gain a greater understanding.

Update Report - The Committee is scrutinising an item following earlier consideration.

Scrutiny Review Activity - This includes discussion on possible scrutiny review items; finalising the scoping for the review; monitoring or interim reports; approval of the final report; and the response to the report.

In considering items for inclusion in the Committee's work programme, Members of the Committee are advised that it is not the Committee's role to investigate individual complaints or each matter of local concern.

March and April Committee Meetings 2015

On 6 April 2010, the Department of Health issued detailed guidance to NHS organisations in the run up to the last General Election on 6 May 2010. As a result of this guidance the scheduled meeting of the Health Scrutiny Committee on 21 April 2010 was cancelled. The 2010 guidance advised employees of all NHS organisations against attending public meetings, including any meetings with question and answer sessions, which entertained any possibility that their statements, no matter how impartial, might be misconstrued.

Parliament has already determined that the General Election will take place on 7 May 2015. There is no reason to assume that the guidance from the Department of Health will be significantly different for 2015. For this reason the following changes are proposed to the Committee's programme:

- moving the date of the March meeting from 18 March to 11 March (to avoid the pre-Election 'purdah' period as far as possible); and
- cancelling the scheduled meeting on 22 April 2015, on the basis that this meeting would be taking place inside the .

2. Conclusion

The Committee is invited to consider and comment on the content of the work programme and to consider its meeting arrangements for March and April 2015, in advance of the General Election on 7 May 2015.

3. Consultation

There is no consultation required as part of this item.

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Health Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE
WORK PROGRAMME

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Item	Contributor	Purpose
Burton Road Surgery, Lincoln.	David Sharp, Director Leicestershire and Lincolnshire Area Team, NHS England Andrew Morgan, Chief Executive, Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust	Update Report
Children Looked After and Safeguarding – Review of Health Services and Safeguarding – Report by the Care Quality Commission	Jan Gunter, Consultant Nurse Safeguarding Children and Adults, Federated Safeguarding Service	Status Report
Healthy Lives, Healthy Futures Programme (<i>North Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire</i>)	Simon Evans, Health Scrutiny Officer	Consultation
Local Authority Health Scrutiny – <i>Guidance to Support Local Authorities and Their Partners to Deliver Effective Health Scrutiny</i>	Simon Evans	Status Report
Quality Accounts 2013-14 – Final Statements	Simon Evans	Status Report

17 September 2014		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
East Midlands Ambulance Service – Performance and Improvements	Sue Noyes, Chief Executive, East Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust	Update Report
United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust – Action Plans in Response to Care Quality Commission Reports (Published 10 July 2014)	Jane Lewington, Chief Executive, United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust To be confirmed	Update Report
Health Education East Midlands – Impact in Lincolnshire	To be confirmed	Update Report
New Review of Congenital Heart Services – National Consultation	To be confirmed.	Consultation
Complaints Overview Report	Simon Evans	Status Report

22 October 2014		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Healthwatch Lincolnshire Update	Sarah Fletcher, Chief Executive Officer, Healthwatch Lincolnshire	Update Report
Lincolnshire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy – Performance Assurance Framework	To be confirmed	Update Report
Public Health Annual Report and Action Plan on Suicide and Self-Harm in Lincolnshire	Nicole Hilton, Head of Community Engagement and Vulnerable People, Lincolnshire County Council	Status Report

26 November 2014		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
Lincolnshire West Clinical Commissioning Group	Dr Sunil Hindocha, Chief Clinical Officer, and Sarah Newton, Chief Operating Officer, Lincolnshire West Clinical Commissioning Group	Update
Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	To be confirmed.	Update

Health Scrutiny Committee – Annual Work Programme

Dates	Item
May, June and July 2014	<p><u>Items Considered</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting and Finalising Quality Account Statements (<i>Completed via Working Group – 27 June 2014</i>) • Final Quality Account Statements Circulated (<i>23 July 2014</i>) • Clinical Commissioning Group – Annual Reports (<i>25 June 2014</i>) • East Midlands Ambulance Service – Quarterly Response Time Performance (<i>21 May 2014</i>) • Children Looked After and Safeguarding – Review of Health Services and Safeguarding – Report by the Care Quality Commission (<i>23 July 2014</i>) <p><u>Items Not Considered</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The New Review of Congenital Heart Surgery Services – Consultation (<i>Now expected September 2014</i>) • Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013 - 2018 Theme 1: Promoting Healthier Lifestyles • Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013- 2018 Theme 3: Delivering High Quality Systematic Care for Major Causes of Ill Health and Disability (<i>These two Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy items will be programmed after 22 October 2014, following an item on the Strategy's Performance Assurance Framework.</i>) • Complaints Overview Report (<i>This will now be considered in September.</i>) • Outline of Mental Health Services (<i>This item will be rescheduled for a later meeting.</i>)

Dates	Item
September, October, November, and December 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Lincolnshire Hospitals Trust – Outcome of Re-inspection by the Chief Inspector of Hospitals • New Review of Congenital Heart Surgery Services Update • Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust – Update on Clinical Strategy • Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013- 2018 Theme 2: Improve the Health and Wellbeing of Older People. • Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013- 2018 – Theme 4 - Improve Health and Social Outcomes for Children and Reduce Inequalities • East Midlands Ambulance Service – Quarterly Response Time Performance • Complaints Overview Report • Infection Control in Hospitals
January, February March, and April 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2014 • Arrangements for Quality Accounts 2015 • Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013- 2018 – Theme 5 - Tackling the Social Determinants of Health • East Midlands Ambulance Service – Quarterly Response Time Performance • Complaints Overview Report

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