

# **Northumberland County Council**

## **Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

### **Work Programme and Monitoring Report 2023 - 2024**

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**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

- (a) To promote well-being and reduce health inequality, particularly in supporting those people who feel more vulnerable or are at risk.
- (b) To discharge the functions conferred by the Local Government Act 2000 of reviewing and scrutinising matters relating to the planning, provision, and operation of health services in Northumberland.
- (c) To take a holistic view of health in promoting the social, environmental, and economic well-being of local people.
- (d) To act as a consultee as required by the relevant regulations in respect of those matters on which local NHS bodies must consult the Committee.
- (e) To monitor, review and make recommendations about:
  - Adult Care and Social Services
  - Adults Safeguarding
  - Welfare of Vulnerable People
  - Independent Living and Supported Housing
  - Carers Well Being
  - Mental Health and Emotional Well Being
  - Financial Inclusion and Fuel Poverty
  - Adult Health Services
  - Healthy Eating and Physical Activity
  - Smoking Cessation
  - Alcohol and Drugs Misuse
  - Community Engagement and Empowerment
  - Social Inclusion
  - Equalities, Diversity and Community Cohesion.

## **ISSUES TO BE SCHEDULED/CONSIDERED**

**Regular updates:** Updates on implications of legislation: As required / Minutes of Health and Wellbeing Board / notes of the Primary Care Applications Working Party  
Care Quality Accounts/ Ambulance response times

**To be listed:**

**Themed scrutiny:**  
**Other scrutiny:**

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	<p>Oncology Performance Update (NUTH)</p> <p>Welfare Rights Annual Report</p> <p>Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Refresh – Adopting a Whole System Approach to Health and Care</p>	<p>To receive an update from NUTH/NHSE on oncology performance nationally and regionally.</p> <p>The report updates Members about the activities of the Welfare Rights Advisory Unit and on key initiatives to support people during major changes to the benefits system.</p> <p>To update members on progress on actions within the JHWS. Members are asked to review this theme and propose amendments to priorities, actions, and indicators to measure progress for the remaining period of the strategy 2023 – 2028.</p>
12 December 2024		
	<p>Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Refresh – Empowering People and Communities</p> <p>Complaints Annual Report 2022- 23: Adult Social Care and Continuing Health Care Services</p>	<p>To update members on progress on actions within the JHWS. Members are asked to review this theme and propose amendments to priorities, actions, and indicators to measure progress for the remaining period of the strategy 2023 – 2028.</p> <p>To provide members with an overview of performance against complaints within adult services and to report to members decisions made by the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman and Health Services Ombudsman</p>
9 January 2023		
	<p>Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Refresh – Giving Children and Young People the Best Start in Life</p> <p>Joint Health and Health and Wellbeing Strategy Refresh – Building Blocks Theme</p>	<p>To update members on progress on actions within the JHWS. Members are asked to review this theme and propose amendments to priorities, actions, and indicators to measure progress for the remaining period of the strategy 2023 – 2028.</p> <p>To update members on progress on actions within the JHWS. Members are asked to review this theme and propose amendments to priorities, actions, and indicators to measure progress for the remaining period of the strategy 2023 – 2028.</p>

	Adults and children's Safeguarding Board Annual Report	To provide an overview of the work carried out under the multiagency arrangements for Safeguarding Adults and Children.
5 March 2024		
	Director of Public Health Annual Report	DPH's Annual Report highlighting the priorities for the DPH for the coming year.
2 April 2024		
	NHCT Quality Accounts	Annual report on the quality of service. The Committee is requested to receive and comment on the presentations from each Trust and agree to submit a formal response to each Trust.
	NEAS Quality Accounts	Annual report on the quality of service. The Committee is requested to receive and comment on the presentations from each Trust and agree to submit a formal response to each Trust.
7 May 2024		
	CNTW Quality Accounts	Annual report on the quality of service. The Committee is requested to receive and comment on the presentations from each Trust and agree to submit a formal response to each Trust.
	NUTH Quality Accounts	Annual report on the quality of service. The Committee is requested to receive and comment on the presentations from each Trust and agree to submit a formal response to each Trust.

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Ref	Date	Report	Decision	Outcome
1	11 July 2023	<b>Update on Pressures in Adult Homecare Services</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> the  A. the report on the current issues with homecare in Northumberland be received for information, and	Adult Home Care data and progress monitoring to be provided at a future committee.

			B. the initiatives proposed to try to resolve workforce shortages be noted.	
2	11 July 2023	<b>Contingency Plans and Management Arrangements for Commissioned Adult Social Care Services</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> the report be received for information.	No further action
3	12 September 2023	<b>Cramlington Pharmacy Update</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that:  A. the report and comments made be noted.  B. a Task and Finish Group be established to examine pharmaceutical services in the county.	A task and finish group be established in the new year to examine Pharmacy provision across the County
4	12 September 2023	<b>Northumberland Coroner's Annual Report</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the report be received.	No further action