

Healthier Communities and Older People Work Programme 2011/12



This table sets out the Healthier Communities and Older People Panel Work Programme for 2010/11 that was agreed by the Panel at its meeting on 25 May 2011. 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).

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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:

The Performance Monitoring Lead for 2011/12 is Councillor Sam Thomas
The Budget and Business Plan for 2011/12 is Councillor Greg Udeh

Scrutiny Support

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Meeting date – 07 September 2011

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/ Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Policy Review	Review of Community Services provided by Royal Marsden hospital	Report to Panel	Adam Doyle, Divisional Director of Community Services	To review the current practice and make recommendations as required
Financial Monitoring	Savings in Adult Social Care	Report to Panel	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	To review the proposals and make recommendations as required
Scrutiny Review	Review of high numbers of Excess winter deaths in Merton	Report to Panel	Val Day, Interim Director of Public Health	To review the current practice and make recommendations as required
Policy Review	Implementation of cancer model of care	Report to Panel	Thomas Pharaoh, Senior Project Officer, Commissioning Support for London	To review the proposals and make recommendations as required
Scrutiny Review	South West London Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Report to Panel	Stella Akintan, Scrutiny Officer	To review the proposals and make recommendations as required

Meeting date – 16 November 2011

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/ Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Holding Executive to Account	Budget proposals	Report to the Panel	Caroline Holland/ Helen Cook	To provide comments to the Cabinet
Policy Review	Proposed changes to Neurorehabilitation	Report to the panel	Adrian McCourt General Manager,	To consider the proposals along with

	services across South West London		Strategic Development, St Georges Hospital NHS Trust.	SW London OSC members and provides comments to the Trust
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Meeting date – 25 January 2012 – Budget meeting

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Financial Monitoring	Business Plan 2012-16 update	Report to the Panel	Caroline Holland, Director of Corporate Services	To report to Cabinet on budget scrutiny round 2

Meeting date – 23 February 2012

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Policy Review	Epsom and St Helier, progress with de-merger plans	Matthew Hopkins, Chief Executive for the Trust and Jon Sargeant, Transaction Director for the Foundation Trust Transaction.		
Scrutiny Review	GP Commissioning update	Report to the panel		
Scrutiny Review	Update on task group review of Community Transport	Report to the panel		Progress on implementing recommendations
Scrutiny Review	Update on task group review of Supported Housing for People with mental health problems	Report to the panel		Progress on implementing recommendations

Policy Review	Update on Merton Link	Report to the panel	Kris Witherington, Head of Community Engagement and Consultation	To discuss progress with Merton Link and future joint working arrangements
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Meeting date – 19 April 2012

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Officer	Member/Lead	Intended Outcomes
Policy Review	Invite Energy Companies to discuss excess winter deaths				
Policy Review	Excess winter deaths action plan				
Policy Review	Report on Public Health	Report to the panel			
Scrutiny Review	Update on task group review of The Quality of Care in Nursing Homes	Report to the panel			Progress on implementing recommendations

Future work programme Items

Impact of cut on domiciliary care fees - September 2012

Impact of transport review – September 2012

Cycling safety for older people and particularly looking at why there is a predominance of female deaths