

Healthier Communities and Older People Work Programme 2015/16



This table sets out the draft Healthier Communities and Older People Panel Work Programme for 2015/16. 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).

Scrutiny Support

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Meeting Date 02 July 2015

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Consultation	Epsom and St Helier University NHS Trust – update on current priorities	Report to Panel	Daniel Elkeles, Chief Executive, Epsom and St Helier Lisa Thomson, Director of Communications, Epsom and St Helier	Panel to receive an update on the Trust’s plans to modernise Epsom and St Helier hospital
Policy Development	Merton Step down accommodation	Report to Panel	Mark Clenaghan, Service Director, South West London and St Georges Mental Health Trust Caroline Farrar, Assistant Director of Commissioning and Planning	Panel to receive an update on proposals to close Norfolk Lodge mental health facility.
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Meeting date – 03 September 2015

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Pre-decision scrutiny	Healthy Child 0-5 Transfer	Report to the Panel	Julia Groom, Consultant in Public Health	Panel to comment on the report before it goes to Cabinet.
Scrutiny Review	Preventing incontinence task group update report	Report to the Panel	Catrina Charlton, Senior Commissioning Manager. Merton Clinical Commissioning Group	Panel to comment on progress with implementing the recommendations.
	Work Programme –	Report to the Panel	Stella Akintan/ Cllr Peter	

	agree final draft		McCabe	
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Meeting date – 22 October 2015

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Performance Monitoring	Adult Social Care Savings	Report to the Panel	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	
Performance Monitoring	Use of Volunteers in day centres	Report to the Panel	Andy Ottoway-Searle, Head of Direct Provision	To review the progress with recruiting volunteers.
Policy Development	Preventing ill health	Report to the Panel	Dr Kay Eilbert, Director of Public Health	To look at the prevention agenda and consider how the Panel can provide ideas and support.

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Meeting Date – 10 November 2015

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Policy Development	Update on the Care Act	Report to the Panel	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	To gain an overview and the main implications of the Care Act, and the progress with implementing it in Merton.
Performance monitoring	Budget	Report to the Panel	Caroline Holland, Director of Corporate Services	To review savings proposals

Meeting date – 12 January 2016 BUDGET

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Performance monitoring	Budget	Report to the Panel	Caroline Holland, Director of Corporate Services	To comment on the council's draft budget

Meeting date – 09 February 2016

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Performance monitoring	St Georges report on substantial variation to a local Urogynaecology clinic.	Report to the Panel	Miles Scott, Chief Executive, St Georges University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Panel to be consulted on proposed changes to the clinic
Scrutiny Review	Physical activity for the fifty five plus	Report to the Panel	Public Health Team	Panel to review services in place to support physical activity amongst the 55 plus age group

Meeting Date - 17 March 2016

Scrutiny category	Item/Issue	How	Lead Member/Lead Officer	Intended Outcomes
Consultation	Update from Epsom and St Helier Hospital on Estates Strategy Community Consultation	Senior officers to attend Panel	Daniel Elkeles, Chief Executive Epsom and St Helier University NHS Trust	To review/ discuss outcomes on recent consultation with community on estates strategy
Policy Development	Making Merton a Dementia Friendly Borough	Report to the Panel		Panel to consider measures to make the borough more friendly to people with dementia
Policy Development	Work Programme	Report to the Panel	Stella Akintan, Scrutiny Officer	Panel to consider topics for the next municipal year

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Suggested topics for 28th June meeting

	Invite Chief Executive of Merton Clinical Commissioning Group	Report and Officers to attend Panel		To outline their key priorities and challenges for the year ahead
	Invite Chief Executive of St Georges Hospital	Report and Officers to attend Panel		To outline their key priorities and challenges for the year ahead
Scrutiny Review	Diabetes task group Final Report	Report to the panel	Cllr Brian Lewis Lavender	Panel to comment on the final draft report on Diabetes in the South Asian community
	Merton Improving Access to	Report to the Panel	Merton CCG	Panel to review impact/ progress of this new

	Psychological Therapies			service.
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Agenda items that the Panel did not have time to consider

Policy Development	Healthy High Streets	Report to the Panel	Public Health Team	Panel to consider the measures in place to ensure that Merton's high streets have a variety of shopping outlets to support the health and wellbeing agenda.
Policy Development	Out of hospital Care	Report to the Panel	Merton Clinical Commissioning Group	Review the services available to support people in the community and reduce reliance on in-patient hospital care.
Policy Development	Support for older people with physical and mental disabilities in the community	Report to the Panel		Review the services and support available for the vulnerable group.
Policy Development	Integrated Care	Report to the Panel		Review the progress with integrating health and social care