
Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Committee **Date of Meeting:** 3 March 2015
(Health and Social Care)

Subject: Key Decision Forward Plan 1 March – 30 June 2015

Report of: Director of Corporate Services **Wards Affected:** All

Is this a Key Decision? No **Is it included in the Forward Plan?** No

Exempt/Confidential No

Purpose/Summary

To submit to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee the latest Key Decision Forward Plan and seek the views of the Committee on its Work Programme for the remainder of the Council Year 2014/15.

Recommendation(s)

1. The Committee is invited to consider the items for pre-scrutiny from the attached Key Decision Forward Plan.
2. The Committee is requested to note that the Joint Working Protocol between this Committee and the Health and Wellbeing Board has now been approved.
3. The Committee is requested to support the recommendations of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee, regarding cancer services for Cheshire and Merseyside, as set out at Paragraph 3.3.
4. The Committee is requested to note progress to date with regard to the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee for Sefton and St. Helens.
5. The Committee is requested to comment on the work programme of items for 2014/15, as appropriate.
6. The Committee is invited to comment on the recent site visit to The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust and support the forthcoming site visit to Ormskirk Hospital.
7. The Committee is requested to approve the process to be undertaken for the scrutiny of draft Quality Accounts in 2015, as set out at Paragraph 8.
8. The Committee is requested to approve the recommendations with regard to the Work Programme for 2015/16, as set out at Paragraph 9.

How does the decision contribute to the Council's Corporate Objectives?

	<u>Corporate Objective</u>	<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		√	

2	Jobs and Prosperity		√	
3	Environmental Sustainability		√	
4	Health and Well-Being	√		
5	Children and Young People		√	
6	Creating Safe Communities		√	
7	Creating Inclusive Communities		√	
8	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening Local Democracy	√		

Reasons for the Recommendation:

The pre-scrutiny process assists the Cabinet and Cabinet Members to make effective decisions by examining issues beforehand and making recommendations prior to a determination being made. The report also updates Members on developments within the Committee's area of work.

What will it cost and how will it be financed? N/A

Implications: N/A

The following implications of this proposal have been considered and where there are specific implications, these are set out below:

Legal	
Human Resources	
Equality	
1. No Equality Implication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Equality Implications identified and mitigated	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Equality Implication identified and risk remains	<input type="checkbox"/>

Impact on Service Delivery: N/A

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

The Head of Corporate Finance and ICT has been consulted and has no comments on this report because the contents of the report have no direct financial implications for the Council. (FD 3440/15)

The Head of Corporate Legal Services has been consulted and has no comments on this report as there are no legal implications arising from the contents of this report. (LD 2732/15).

Are there any other options available for consideration? N/A

Implementation Date for the Decision

Immediately following the Committee.

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Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

1. KEY DECISION FORWARD PLAN

- 1.1 Members may request to pre-scrutinise items from the Key Decision Forward Plan. Such items must fall under the remit (Terms of Reference) of this Committee.
- 1.2 The pre-scrutiny process assists the Cabinet and Cabinet Members to make effective decisions by examining issues beforehand and making recommendations prior to a determination being made.
- 1.3 The Overview and Scrutiny Management Board has requested that only those key decisions that fall under the remit of each Overview and Scrutiny Committee should be included on the agenda for consideration.
- 1.4 The latest Forward Plan is attached at **Appendix A** for this purpose. For ease of identification, items listed on the Forward Plan for the first time appear as shaded.
- 1.5 There are 2 items within the current Plan that fall under the remit of this Committee, namely:-
 - Adult Substance Misuse Contract Extension; and
 - Public Health Annual Report.
- 1.6 Should Members require further information in relation to the items on the Key Decision Forward Plan, would they please contact the relevant Officer named against the item in the Plan, prior to the Meeting.
- 1.7 *The Committee is invited to consider the items for pre-scrutiny from the attached Key Decision Forward Plan.***

2. JOINT WORKING PROTOCOLS

- 2.1 Further to Minute No. 51 (2) of 6 January 2015, the Committee approved the draft Joint Working Protocol between this Committee and the Health and Wellbeing Board, subject to approval by the Council's Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 2.2 At its meeting on 21 January 2015, the Health and Wellbeing Board agreed the Protocol (Minute No. 25 refers).

2.3 *The Committee is requested to note that the Joint Working Protocol between this Committee and the Health and Wellbeing Board has now been approved.*

3. JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE

3.1 Following the review undertaken by the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee for Cheshire and Merseyside, on the proposals by the Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, a briefing note providing an overview of the work of the Joint Scrutiny Committee has been circulated to Members of the Committee, for information.

3.2 A copy of the briefing note can be found via the following web-link:-

<http://modgov.sefton.gov.uk/moderngov/ecSDDisplay.aspx?NAME=SD1878&ID=1878&RPID=10178481&sch=doc&cat=13636&path=13058%2c13160%2c13636>

3.3 The Committee is now requested to formally support the recommendations of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee, namely to:-

- (a) note the decision of the Joint Committee to support the proposed future model of cancer services for Cheshire and Merseyside, including the new site adjacent to the Royal Liverpool University Teaching Hospital; and
- (b) support the recommendation that a discretionary Joint Scrutiny Committee to oversee the delivery of the new build project in Liverpool and refurbishment of the Wirral site is retained to maintain a scrutiny and oversight role during the lifetime of the project.

3.4 *The Committee is requested to support the recommendations of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee, regarding cancer services for Cheshire and Merseyside.*

4. JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR SEFTON AND ST. HELENS

4.1 Following the decision taken by both Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees at St. Helens and Sefton MBC, a Joint Health Scrutiny Committee for Sefton and St. Helens has been established to scrutinise the proposals by Mersey Care NHS Trust regarding the future provision of medium secure services currently provided at the Scott Clinic in St. Helens.

4.2 At the time of drafting this report, meetings of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee are scheduled to take place on 26 February 2015 and 4 March 2015. A further meeting is anticipated to take place later in the year, following consultation with the public, formulation of the outcome of the consultation, etc.

4.3 *The Committee is requested to note progress to date with regard to the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee for Sefton and St. Helens.*

5. WORK PROGRAMME 2014/15

5.1 A work programme of items submitted to the Committee during 2014/15 is attached at **Appendix B** for information. The work programme has been submitted to each meeting of the Committee during 2014/15 and updated, as appropriate.

5.2 *The Committee is requested to comment on the work programme of items for 2014/15, as appropriate.*

6. SITE VISITS

6.1 Throughout the Municipal Year Members of this Committee are requested to attend occasional site visits to organisations that provide health services to residents of the Borough.

6.2 During 2014/15, Members of this Committee have visited the following NHS establishments:-

- the ambulance station at Buckley Hill; and
- Aintree University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

6.3 Members visited The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust on 13th January 2015, for a tour of the Sid Watkins Building, the Walton Centre's new building.

6.4 The Committee has also requested a site visit to the following health provider during 2014/15 and the date determined by the Chair is indicated:-

- Ormskirk Hospital – Thursday 12 March 2015.

6.5 *The Committee is invited to comment on the recent site visit to The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust and support the forthcoming site visit to Ormskirk Hospital.*

7. INFORMAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE – RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING

7.1 Members of the Committee met informally on 3 February 2015, to discuss the process to be undertaken for the scrutiny of draft Quality Accounts in 2015, together with the consideration of future agenda Items.

7.2 Based on the outcome of these discussions, recommendations are set out within the following items, 8 and 9 below.

8. Process to be Undertaken for the Scrutiny of Draft Quality Accounts in 2015

8.1 At their informal meeting, Members of the Committee discussed the draft Quality Accounts submitted for consideration each year to the Committee and considered

various options for the process to be undertaken.

- 8.2 Members expressed a view that they would prefer to focus on problems and areas of concern within the Quality Accounts. The Chief Officer of the CCGs could be requested to provide a very brief summary of the main points to focus on. An informal meeting during the day time, preferably at Formby PDC, could be held some time between the Elections and the Annual Council Meeting, when the current membership of the Committee would cease to exist. The Chief Officer of the CCGs to be invited to attend this meeting, if possible.

8.3 *The Committee is requested to approve the following:*

That

- (a) ***an informal daytime meeting of Committee Members be held on a date to be determined by the Chair of the Committee, at Formby Professional Development Centre, on a date between the Elections to be held on 7 May and the Annual Meeting of the Council;***
- (b) ***the Chief Officer of the South Sefton and Southport and Formby Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) be requested to provide a very brief summary of the main points she considers Committee Members should focus on within the draft Quality Accounts, and she be requested to attend this meeting, if at all possible;***
- (c) ***NHS Trusts be not invited to attend the meeting, unless Members specifically request otherwise.***

9. Work Programme for 2015/16

- 9.1 At their informal meeting on 3 February 2015, Members of the Committee discussed agenda items for the Committee and how they would wish to shape the work programme for 2015/16. There was a general consensus that the business of the Committee had become too NHS health oriented and that social care should receive greater priority. Due to the relatively low number of Committee meetings, Members considered that items considered at meetings should be "mission critical" and that the Director of Adult Social Care and the Cabinet Member – Older People and Health should be advising which items fell into this category. Where a crisis was developing, either within the Council or elsewhere, Members wished to be advised of it immediately, via email.
- 9.2 A "traffic light" system of red – mission critical issues to be considered by the Committee; amber – updates which could be emailed to Members for information; and green – routine issues such as site visits, etc. could be adopted.

9.3 *The Committee is requested to approve the following:*

That

- (a) ***the focus of agenda attention during 2015/16 be more based on Council activity and less on NHS Trust activity;***

- (b) the Director of Adult Social Care, the Director of Public Health, and the Chief Officer of the CCGs be requested to advise Committee Members on issues to focus on for 2015/16 and these officers be requested to attend meetings of the Committee;**
- (c) the Chief Officer of South Sefton and Southport and Formby Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) be requested to continue to attend meetings of the Committee, where possible, and she also be requested to focus the regular update reports from the CCGs on matters of genuine concern, together with indications of actions being taken to address those matters of concern;**
- (d) with regard to the regular Update Reports on Monitoring of A&E Services, the Committee be requested to determine whether it wishes to continue to receive these via email, or whether it wishes to cease receiving these reports;**
- (e) with regard to site visits during 2015/16, Members of the Committee will discuss these early in the Municipal Year and target these towards areas of concern;**
- (f) with regard to future Overview and Scrutiny reviews and possible working groups, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee to meet early in the forthcoming Municipal Year to discuss the matter;**
- (g) with regard to NHS Trusts:**
 - (i) routine update reports be emailed to Members of the Committee for information, in future;**
 - (ii) routine consultations with the Committee to be made via briefing papers, to be emailed to Members;**
 - (iii) only consultations requiring specific decisions from the Committee to be included as agendas items;**
 - (iv) NHS Trusts be requested to operate on a principle of "no surprises" and to advise the Committee as soon as possible, via email, of matters of concern;**
 - (v) NHS Trusts be asked to submit requests to attend Committee meetings only to raise matters of genuine concern;**
 - (vi) reports produced by the Care Quality Commission be included on agendas for future Committee meetings.**
 - (vii) the Chair of the Committee and the Director of Public Health be requested to meet with the Chief Executive of the Aintree University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and the Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust to explain the rationale of the recommendations set out above.**