

REPORT TO:	Health & Social Care Sub-Committee 21 September 2021
SUBJECT:	Health & Social Care Sub-Committee Work Programme 2021-22
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PERSON LEADING AT SCRUTINY SUB- COMMITTEE MEETING:	Councillor Sean Fitzsimons – Chair of the Health & Social Care Sub-Committee
PUBLIC/EXEMPT:	Public

ORIGIN OF ITEM:	The Health & Social Care Sub-Committee receives an update on its work programme at each of its meeting
BRIEF FOR THE SUB- COMMITTEE:	The Health & Social Care Sub-Committee is asked to:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the current position of its Work Programme for 2021-22, 2. To consider whether there are any other items that should be added to the work programme.

1. HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE SUB-COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2021-22

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to set out the work programme for 2021 – 2022 for the Health & Social Care Sub-Committee. A copy of the work programme as it currently stands can be found at Appendix A to this report.
- 1.2. Although the work programme has been populated as far as possible at this stage, it is recognised that given the challenges facing the Council, the work programme needs to remain flexible enough to respond to emerging priorities during the year.
- 1.3. At its meeting on 15 June 2021, the Scrutiny & Overview Committee agreed that the work programme process will be overseen by a Reference Group of scrutiny members who will meet on a monthly basis to review all available data in order to identify items that should be prioritised for inclusion in the work programme for both the Committee and its three Sub-Committees (Children & Young People, Health & Social Care and Streets, Environment & Homes).
- 1.4. The Committee also agreed a number of workstream priorities for the year ahead for itself and the three sub-committees. For the Health & Social Care Sub-Committee the main priorities is to:-

Workstream 3: Supporting local people and keeping them safe, with particular regard to the changes in social care provision.
- 1.5. Although the Reference Group will be responsible for identifying emerging issues for scrutiny, the Health & Social Care Sub-Committee will still have oversight of its work programme and this report will be presented at each Sub-Committee meeting to provide an update on the latest position of the work

programme and allow for consideration to be given to any additions or amendments.

- 1.6. It is recognised that given the challenges facing the Council, it will not be possible for scrutiny to accomplish everything it needs to within a committee setting. As such it is likely that informal briefings and visits will need to be arranged during the year, to ensure that the Sub-Committee is as informed as possible when scrutinising an item at one of its meetings. For transparency, this report will also confirm any briefings or visits undertaken by the Sub-Committee.
- 1.7. Since the last meeting held on 29 June 2021 the Sub-Committee, in preparation for its consideration of the Transitions item included elsewhere on this agenda, has received a briefing from council officers on the transitions process to ensure it had the appropriate level of knowledge to scrutinise the item.

2. Conclusions

- 2.1. The Health & Social Care Sub-Committee is asked to note the current position of its Work Programme for 2021-22 set out in Appendix A.
- 2.2. The Sub-Committee is asked to consider whether there are any other items that should be added to its work programme.

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APPENDICES TO THIS REPORT

Appendix A – Health & Social Care Sub-Committee Work Programme