

Report of:	Meeting	Date	Item No.
Corporate Director of Resources	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	19 November 2012	9

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2012/13 – UPDATE REPORT

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 That the revised timetable for the submission of the Tourism Task Group Report to this committee and subsequently to Cabinet is approved.
- 1.2 That the Draft Scoping Document for the Parks Task Group is agreed.
- 1.3 That the timetable for recruiting members to and starting the Parks Task Group is approved.
- 1.4 That the committee considers what action it proposes to take, if any, regarding the public consultation on the future of older people's rehabilitation services on the Fylde Coast.
- 1.5 That expressions of interest to attend a Parliamentary Seminar in February 2013 be received from members of the committee.

2. Current and completed work

2.1 Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme Proposal Forms

No proposals for new task groups have been received since the last meeting of the committee.

2.2 Street Cleansing Task Group

The Street Cleansing Task Group reconvened on 30 October 2012 to review the implementation of the new in-house street cleansing arrangements, as had been agreed when they reported to Cabinet in March 2012.

One further review will take place after the first year of operation of the in-house service, with the task group meeting for that purpose on Tuesday 30 April 2013 at 10am.

2.2 Transport Infrastructure Task Group

This matter has been dealt with under Item 5 on this agenda..

2.3 Tourism Task Group

The Tourism Task Group considered its Draft Report on 8 November. Any amendments will be made in time for the report to be included on the agenda of the meeting of this committee on 17 December 2012 and to be included on the Cabinet agenda for 16 January 2013.

2.4 Affordable Housing

The Affordable Housing Task Group is likely to meet once more to discuss its conclusions and recommendations, although a date for this meeting is yet to be arranged.

2.5 Budget Task Group

The Capital Bids programme has been considered by the Budget Task group and recommendations will be made to Management Board.

The task group will consider the proposed Fees and Charges for 2013/14 at their next meeting on 20 November 2012.

3. Future work

3.1 Parks Task Group

The scoping document for this task group is included at Item 8 on this agenda.

The task group will commence its work in January 2013 and expressions of interest will be invited from councillors early in December 2012, when a date for the first meeting will also be arranged.

3.2 Fylde Coast Consultation – Improving Patient Care

A public consultation on the future of older people's rehabilitation services on the Fylde Coast has been launched by Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. Details are contained in a press release that was issued on Thursday 8 November (see Appendix 3).

The Committee is asked to agree what action, if any, it proposes to take in relation to this consultation. One option would be to appoint a task group for a limited number of meetings, with recommendations being considered by Cabinet in time to meet the deadline for responses.

4. Other matters

4.1 Training and Development

1 Two councillors and the Scrutiny Officer recently attended a course entitled 'Making Accountability Work', which was run jointly by the Centre for Public Scrutiny and the Transition Alliance. The event focused on the use of 'Appreciative Enquire' in scrutiny and building relationships between Health and Wellbeing Boards and Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

2 The Centre for Public Scrutiny has recently confirmed the dates for its annual series of Parliamentary Seminars. It is hoped that Wyre will be allocated one place on the event taking place on 6 February 2013 in London, and expressions of interest are invited from councillors.

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List of Background Papers:		
Name of Document	Date	Where available for inspection
Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules	May 2011	Council's website

APPENDICES

- APPENDIX 1 Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme May 2012 - April 2013
- APPENDIX 2 O&S – Positive Contribution to the Improvement of Services (2012-13)
- APPENDIX 3 Press release – “Have Your Say - Public Consultation on the future of older people’s rehabilitation services on the Fylde Coast”.

Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme May 2012 – April 2013								Updated 8 November 2012			
	28-May	18-Jun	16-Jul	24-Sep	22-Oct	19-Nov	17-Dec	28-Jan	25-Feb	25-Mar	22-Apr
Work Programme											
Community Safety Partnership											
Performance Review (quarterly)											
LCC Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee											
Holding the Executive to account for forthcoming decisions											
Leader											
Portfolio Holder: Street Scene											
Portfolio Holder: Neighbourhood Services											
Portfolio Holder: Economy											
Portfolio Holder: Resources											
Portfolio Holder: Leisure and Culture											
Task Groups Reporting to Committee											
Tourism - Value for Money Review											
Affordable Housing											
Budget											
Treasury Management											
Transport Infrastructure											
Other Reports											
Leisure Commissioning - Consultant's Report				Defer							
Frank Townend Centre											
Citizens Advice Bureaux											
Funding of PCSOs											
Street Cleansing Contract - review implementation											
Marine Hall											

Positive Contribution to the Improvement of Services

2012-13

	Holding the Executive to Account - Decisions	Existing Budget and Policy Framework	Contribution to Policy Development	Holding the Executive to Account - Performance	Community Champion	Statutory Duties/ Compliance with codes of practice
Activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review and scrutinise decisions made by the Cabinet or individual portfolio holders. 2. Call in decisions. 3. Any issue raised by an individual or group of Councillor(s) that is approved by the committee. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Challenge the boundaries of existing policies. 2. Finding creative solutions to problems. 3. Value for money challenges. 4. Any issue raised by an individual or group of Councillor(s) that is approved by the committee. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assist in the development of policies by in depth analysis of policy issues thinking creatively about new policies. 2. Any issue raised by an individual or group of Councillor(s) that is approved by the committee. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review the Executive in relation to the Council's policy objectives, targets and/or particular service areas. 2. Considering Portfolio Holders' future plans, recent successes/concerns and performance. 3. Any issue raised by an individual or group of Councillor(s) that is approved by the committee. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To liaise with other organisations operating in the area to ensure that the interests of local people are enhanced by collaborative working. 2. Any issue raised by an individual or group of Councillor(s) that is approved by the committee. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scrutiny of Community Safety Partnership 2. Councillor Call for Action (CCfA) 3. Petitions 4. Review of Treasury Management Strategy
Task Groups		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. VFM – Tourism (to complete) 2. Budget Scrutiny 3. VFM – Fleetwood/Knott End Ferry 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Leisure Review 2. Green Travel Plan 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Marine Hall (March 2013) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Affordable Housing (to complete) 2. Health Reforms (focus to be agreed) 3. Parks 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Treasury Management
Method/How	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Portfolio holder attendance at meetings. 2. Scrutiny of the Forward Plan. 3. Overview and Scrutiny Committee meetings (Call in) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Task Group to contribute to the Budget Process. 2. 1 VFM task group per annum. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Task and Finish Groups 2. Reports to Committee 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Portfolio holder attendance at meetings. 2. Quarterly performance reports to Committee. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation Groups 2. Task and Finish Groups 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Committee to consider CSP in June and Nov 2012. 2. CCfA and petitions as received. 3. Committee to consider Treasury Management Nov 2012.

NEWS RELEASE

EMBARGOED UNTIL 00:01 ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8TH 2012

Have Your Say - Public Consultation on the future of older people's rehabilitation services on the Fylde Coast

PLANS have been unveiled today to improve and modernise older people's rehabilitation services across the Fylde Coast.

'Improving Patient Care' – The Next Steps, is the joint vision of clinical leaders across the Fylde Coast about how services could be delivered in the future to improve patient care.

A 12-week public consultation begins today (Thursday November 8th) on proposals to modernise and improve older people's rehabilitation in-patient services and community services for the local population.

Members of the public are being invited to a series of public meetings where they can hear in detail about the plans and put forward their views.

The proposals, which have been jointly produced by GPs and hospital clinicians across the Fylde Coast, include:

- The development of a new clinical model for consultant led care which focuses on greater rehabilitation, discharging patients home sooner, and providing greater support to patients and their families once they leave hospital
- Major investment in Community Services to enhance services to support people in the community and in their own homes

Older people's rehabilitation care is currently delivered from three sites – Clifton and Rossall Hospital for consultant led in-patient care and Bispham Hospital for non-consultant (nurse led) care. Consultant led inpatient care was also provided from Wesham Hospital, however, these services were temporarily transferred from Wesham Hospital to Clifton Hospital in January 2011.

The proposed new clinical model would see consultant led inpatient rehabilitation care being delivered from one dedicated site with the following improved services:

- Increased staffing levels
- More senior therapy and nursing support for patients
- A seven day therapy service
- Shorter hospital stays and care packages in place when patients leave hospital

It is proposed that the preferred site for this service is Clifton Hospital for the following reasons:

- It's already a well established site for rehabilitation services
- It's easily accessible for patients and families
- It's the only community site to have access to diagnostics (including x-ray and ultrasound)
- It's the only site able to accommodate all rehabilitation beds
- There 's room for further expansion at Clifton Hospital if needed in the future

The development of Clifton Hospital as the dedicated site for consultant led inpatient rehabilitation services would result in the permanent closure of Wesham Hospital and Rossall Hospital. Staff who are potentially affected by this move would be supported through these changes and offered redeployment to other areas of the Trust. No compulsory redundancies are anticipated.

A separate review is underway by GP commissioners of unscheduled (emergency) care which includes a review of non-consultant (nurse led) rehabilitation care which is currently provided by Spiral Health at Bispham Hospital. Subject to the outcome of this review, non-consultant led care may be provided from two sites in the future – one in Blackpool and one in Fleetwood. This may result in the permanent future closure of Bispham Hospital.

The proposals being consulted on as part of the public consultation also include the investment of £3.6M in community services to support patients in the community and in their own homes - avoiding unnecessary hospital admissions.

The investment would include:

- Enhanced nursing and therapy teams to provide community services 7 days a week

- Better carer support and services to support patients when they leave hospital e.g. rapid nursing teams and care support packages.
- A new single point access service to signpost patients to the right health professional and health service at the right time

The proposals have been developed by hospital consultants and GPs and are fully supported by the clinical leaders across the Fylde Coast who believe these proposals will benefit patients in the following ways:

- Improved quality of care through greater consultant input, specialist rehabilitation and better access to diagnostics (such as x-ray)
- Avoid patients from having unnecessary hospital admissions
- Less time in hospital for those requiring a hospital stay
- Fewer hospital readmissions
- Improved patient experience

Dr James McIlmoyle, a consultant in stroke medicine at Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, said: “We believe these proposals will vastly improve the quality of rehabilitation we are able to provide to our patients meaning they will spend less time in hospital. The time consultants and specialists are able to spend with each patient is currently limited due to the distance they have to travel to each community site. By concentrating our resources and expertise on one site we will be able to provide more time delivering direct patient care, leading to better outcomes and shorter lengths of stay for patients.”

Dr Amanda Doyle, Chairman of Blackpool Clinical Commissioning Group said: “By investing more in community services we can help people lead healthier lives, manage their conditions better and avoid admission to hospital. Our proposals will enable us to strengthen the level of support our community nurses and therapists are able to provide to patients in the community and in their own homes.”

Dr Tony Naughton, Chairman of Wyre and Fylde Clinical Commissioning Group said “It is not an option for us to do nothing. We need to meet the changing needs of patients whilst ensuring we maximise the use of the resources we have. We strongly believe these proposals will

improve the overall experience for patients provide best value for money – enabling us to provide excellent healthcare for our local population.

The full Consultation Document and feedback questionnaire is available to download from www.bfwh.nhs.uk/consultation Copies can also be requested by telephoning 01253 956722 or 01253 345445 emailing consultation@bfwh.nhs.uk

The consultation period will run from November 8th 2012 until January 31st 2013. Over the next 12 weeks a number of meetings will be held where members of the public will be given a chance to find out more about the proposals and give their views. The meetings will be held on the following dates and times:

Date	Location	Time
Tuesday 27 th November	Cabus Village Hall, Lancaster New Road, Cabus, Preston, PR3 1WL	2pm
Tuesday 4 th December	Carr Hill High School, Royal Avenue, Kirkham, Preston, PR4 2ST	6pm
Wednesday 5 th December	Lowther Pavillion, Lowther Terrace, Lytham St Annes, FY8 5QQ	6pm
Thursday 6 th December	Bispham High School, Bispham Road, Blackpool, FY2 0NH	6pm
Tuesday 11 th December	Knott End Golf Club, Wyreside, Knott-End-On- Sea, Poulton-Le-Fylde, FY6 0AA	6pm
Wednesday 12 th December	Marine Hall, The Esplanade, Fleetwood, FY7 6HF	6pm
Thursday 13 th December	Hodgson Academy, Moorland Road, Poulton-Le- Fylde, FY6 7EU	6pm
Thursday 10 th January	Blackpool Football Club, Seasiders Way, Blackpool, FY1 6JJ	2pm

If you would like further information about this Press Release, please call Caroline Hastie, Head of Communications at Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, on 01253 303538.