

Kirklees Council

Scrutiny Lead Member Report

Lead Member: Cllr Liz Smaje Panel: Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel

Period of Update : From 28 November 2017 to 14 February 2018

Panel Highlights

(Include examples of pre decision work, scrutiny getting out and about, etc.)

Lead member briefings with:

- Public Health
- Greater Huddersfield and North Kirklees CCGs
- Locala
- South West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust

Panel Meetings and follow-up

- Informal panel meeting 1 December 2017 to discuss the Wellness Model Draft Specification and proposed performance measures.
- Panel meeting 12 December 2017. Items discussed included: Kirklees Joint Strategic Assessment (KJSA); Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Plan and Better Care Fund
- Panel meeting 16 January 2018. Items discussed included: Update on the financial positions of Greater Huddersfield CCG, North Kirklees CCG, Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust and Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust; Wheelchair Services in Kirklees; Winter Pressures in Kirklees; and an update on Tuberculosis (TB) in Kirklees.
- Panel meeting 13 February 2018. Items discussed included: Update from Locala; Kirklees Suicide Prevention Action Plan; and an update on Integration of Health and Adult Social Care.

Outcomes:

(Summarise the value scrutiny has added by looking at the issue(s) and any recommendations)

The Panel has made a number of suggestions and recommendations to improve the quality of services to patients and users of NHS commissioned services. This has included an agreed set of actions with Greater Huddersfield and Calderdale CCGs on wheelchair services that are designed to significantly improve user experience.

Monitoring Work

(If monitoring previous recommendations please identify what difference Scrutiny has made)

The Panel received a further update at its January meeting on TB in Kirklees and the actions that are being taken to reduce the incidence of TB across the district.

This is a long standing area of work and the Panel was pleased with the work that is being done by Public Health and have confidence that the action plan is robust

enough to strengthen TB control.

The Panel agreed that no further actions were required.

Looking Ahead

(What are the next issues the Panel plans to look at?)

At the March meeting the Panel will be considering the Adults Care Offer Consultation; looking at the work that has been done by Locala to address the Panel's recommendations on the proposed changes to Podiatry Services; and will be presented with the Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2016-17.

Other issues coming up include a discussion with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) on the state of care in Kirklees and the final review of the 2017/18 Work Programme and plans for 2018/19.

General comments

The Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Yorkshire and the Humber) met on 12 January 2018. The Committee was presented with details of NHS England's final decisions on the commissioning of congenital heart disease services for adults and children across England.

The Committee also discussed its work, key activities and outcomes since it was formally established in 2011. Members agreed to recognise the work of the Committee as an excellent example of joint health scrutiny arrangements. It was also agreed that the work of the Committee had finished and would cease to be operational at the end of the current 2017/18 municipal year.