

Name of meeting: Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel

Date: 7 December 2021

Title of report: Care Quality Commission

To provide members of the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel with the context and background to the discussions with representatives from the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	No
Key Decision - Is it in the <u>Council's Forward Plan (key decisions and private reports)</u> ?	Not Applicable
The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Not Applicable
Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance? Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning?	No – The report has been produced to support the discussions with CQC.
Health Contact	Helyn Aris Inspection Manager – Kirklees and Wakefield North Region Adult Social Care Directorate Care Quality Commission

Electoral wards affected: None Specific

Ward councillors consulted: Not Applicable

Public or private: Public

Has GDPR been considered? Yes. The report does not include any personal data that identifies an individual.

1. Summary

- 1.1 The work of the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel includes a focus on the quality of care in local health and adult social care services. A key objective of regulators of health and adult social care is to provide people with safe, effective, compassionate and high quality care and to encourage care services to improve.
- 1.2 The CQC is the independent regulator of health and adult social care and its role is to monitor, inspect and regulate services to make sure that they meet fundamental standards of quality and safety.
- 1.3 Before a care provider can carry out any of the activities that are regulated by CQC, they must register with CQC and demonstrate that they will be able to meet a number of legal requirements.
- 1.4 Activities regulated by CQC include the treatment, care and support provided by hospitals, GP practices, dental practices, ambulance services, care homes and home-care agencies.
- 1.5 CQC have recently introduced a new strategy in response to what it describes as a changing world of health and social care. The new strategy strengthens its commitment to deliver on its core goal to ensure health and care services are providing effective, compassionate, and high-quality care.
- 1.6 CQC has stated that its strategy is purposefully ambitious, and to implement it CQC have highlighted the need to work closely with others to make it a reality. CQC has also committed to review the strategy regularly so it can adapt to changes and be prepared for what the future holds.
- 1.7 Details of the new strategy is attached.
- 1.8 The work of CQC has been included on the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel Work Programme for a number of years and has helped the Panel to gain a good understanding of the state of care that is being provided across Kirklees.
- 1.9 Representatives from CQC will be in attendance to provide the Panel with an overview of the state of care across the district that will include an overview of ratings for Adult Social Care (ASC), Primary Medical Services (PMS) and Mental Health (MH) Services. A presentation that will be used to help inform discussions is attached.
- 1.10 CQC has also been asked to provide an overview of its views on the impact that the Covid-19 pandemic has had on the quality of care.

2. Information required to take a decision

N/A

3. Implications for the Council

N/A

3.1 Working with People

No specific implications

3.2 Working with Partners

No specific implications

3.3 Place Based Working

No specific implications

3.4 Climate Change and Air Quality

No specific implications

3.5 Improving outcomes for children

No specific implications

3.6 Other (e.g. Legal/Financial or Human Resources)

No specific implications

4 Consultees and their opinions

Not applicable

5 Next steps and timelines

That the Overview and Scrutiny Panel for Health and Adult Social Care takes account of the information presented and considers the next steps it wishes to take.

6 Officer recommendations and reasons

That the Panel considers the information provided and determines if any further information or action is required.

7 Cabinet Portfolio Holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8 Contact officer:

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9 Background Papers and History of Decisions

Not applicable

10 Service Director responsible

Julie Muscroft – Service Director, Legal, Governance and Commissioning