OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – WORK PROGRAMME 2024/25

MEMBERS: Councillors; Cahal Burke (Chair), Itrat Ali, Zarina Amin, Andrew Cooper and Jo Lawson

SUPPORT: Sheila Dykes, Principal Governance and Democratic Engagement Officer

FULL PANEL DISCUSSION				
THEME / ISSUE	APPROACH / AREAS OF FOCUS	OUTCOMES / ACTIONS		
1. Leader's Priorities 2024/25	The Leader will attend to set out her portfolio priorities for 2024/25.	20 September 2024		
2. Finance Portfolio Holder's Priorities 2024/25	The Portfolio Holder will attend to set out his priorities for 2024/25.	20 September 2024		
3. Council Financial Management	Regular reports will be submitted including the Quarterly Corporate Financial Monitoring Reports Medium Term Financial Plan 			
4. Corporate Safeguarding Policy	Update report following the rollout of the refreshed policy (adopted by Cabinet 8 March 2022 / Council 13 July 2022)	2nd August 2024		
5. Inclusion and Diversity	 Monitor work in relation to inclusion; including: Pre-decision scrutiny of the revised Inclusion and Diversity Strategy. 	2nd August 2024		
6. Final Report – Scrutiny of Social Connectivity in Kirklees	Scrutiny work in relation to social isolation and loneliness, with specific reference to the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic: • Submission of Final Report	20 September 2024		
7. Council Plan	Pre-decision scrutiny in respect of the development, and content, of the latest version of the Council Plan	January 2025		

8. Kirklees Communities Partnership Plan (Crime and Disorder) and Domestic Abuse Strategy	 Annual scrutiny of the Kirklees Communities Partnership Plan in accordance with statutory requirement under Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006. (Community Safety Partnerships have a duty to develop a strategic plan to address multi-agency issues affecting quality of life for residents including crime and anti-social behaviour.) Kirklees Domestic Abuse Strategy – Annual Update. 	March/April 2025
9. Overview of Scrutiny Work Programmes	Maintain an overview of the Work Programmes of the four Panels: • Children's • Environment and Climate • Growth and Regeneration • Health and Adult Social Care	2nd August 2023

PRELIMINARY ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FURTHER TO WORKSHOP ON 22/7/24 (by OSMC or Standing Panels, as appropriate)

New Legislation/Government Policy
Economic Strategy Refresh
Environment Strategy Refresh
Culture and Tourism Strategy
Communications Strategy
IT Strategy
People Strategy
Corporate Landlord / Asset Management
Libraries and Customer Service Centres
Armed Forces Covenant

Procurement Update further to introduction of New Legislation

CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY PANEL – WORK PROGRAMME 2024/25

MEMBERS: Cllr Itrat Ali, Cllr Richard Smith, Cllr Jane Rylah, Cllr Ashleigh Robinson, Cllr Tanisha Bramwell, Cllr Hannah McKerchar

SUPPORT: Helen Kilroy (Assistant Democracy Manager), Claire Gardiner (Democracy Officer)

Agenda item/area of focus	Lead Officer	Areas of Scrutiny carried forward from 24-25	Comments
Standard items			
 Pre-decision scrutiny (decisions by Cabinet) 	Cabinet Members/Senior Officers (Children's Service)	Panel will check at each meeting with Cabinet Members and Senior Officers from Children's Service if there are any potential areas of predecision scrutiny they need to consider at future meetings.	Every meeting
 Performance Information (Children's Service) – Informal meeting 	Presented by Service Directors (produced by Lucy Tiffany)	The Panel will continue to monitor the performance of the Learning Early Support Service and Child Protection & Family Support (written report in informal session and verbal update on key issues in public meeting). Panel will be asked for questions prior to the Panel meeting so that these can be shared with Senior Officers and Cabinet Members in advance of the Informal meeting.	Every meeting
 Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Kirklees Parenting Board 	Panel Members who attend Kirklees Parenting Board	Members of the Panel who attend the Kirklees Parenting Board will feedback on key issues to the Scrutiny Panel as appropriate.	Every meeting
Ambition Board Minutes	Senior Officers and Cabinet Members	The Panel will receive for information the minutes from the Ambition Board meetings which are held quarterly.	Quarterly
Review of the Improvement	Tom Brailsford/Vicky	The Panel will continue to review the Improvement Journey of Children's	Immediate and
Journey –Ofsted Inspection	Metheringham	Services and receive regular updates following Ofsted Inspections.	ongoing
		The Panel will visit Children's Social Care Teams and the Front Door.	

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		The Panel will receive a training presentation on Corporate Parenting and will consider regular updates on issues considered by the Kirklees Parenting Board at each Panel meeting. The Panel will visit No 11 and No 12 hubs and observe the services on offer and being accessed by young people. Panel meeting on 11 th October 2024 The Panel will consider the outcome and recommendations of the Children's Services Ofsted Inspection report, which will be published on the 27 th August 2024 and will highlight the key areas of improvement for the Service. The Ofsted Inspection covered all areas of the Children's Service but focussed on children in need, children in care and care leavers.	11.10.24
Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Transformation Plan	Jo-Anne Sanders	 The Panel will scrutinise the SEND Transformation Plan and will focus on the following areas – Oversight of the Government Safety Valve Agreement and the current overspending in this area Compliance and Annual Reviews New initiative of schools working in clusters – early support Timescales for completion of Education Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) Provision from Special Schools The Panel will be invited to attend and observe the SEND Partnership Groups. 	To be confirmed
Sufficiency of SEND and mainstream capacity	Jo-Anne Sanders	The Panel will consider sufficiency within the Children's Service and focus on the following areas – - Decline of the cohort of children in primary schools in Kirklees - Needs and capacity around mainstream teaching	

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		- Opportunities for extensions to wrap around care and childcare entitlement	
		The Panel noted that there will be opportunities throughout the 24/25 municipal year to observe partnership meetings when these issues were discussed.	
Working Together Action Plan	Kieran Lord	The Panel will scrutinise the multi-agency partnership arrangements as part of the Working Together Action Plan and consider the changes which have been implemented. The Panel will visit the Health and Care Partnerships Board.	
		Panel Meeting on 14 th March 2025 The Panel will consider the changes implemented in the Working Together Action Plan and the multi-agency partnership arrangements.	14.3.25
Quality Assurance – impact of auditing the Children's Service	Vicky Metheringham/Robert Fordyce	The Panel will scrutinise the Quality Assurance impact of auditing the Children's Service and what difference it was making to children's lives. The Panel will be invited to observe appropriate forums on Quality Assurance.	
		Panel Meeting on 11 th October 2024 The Panel will consider the Annual Report on Quality Assurance.	11.10.24
Educational Outcomes	Jo-Anne Sanders	The Panel will scrutinise the educational outcomes of children and young people in Kirklees.	
		Informal Panel Meeting on 11 th October 2024 The Panel will consider the Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 educational and GCSE outcomes, which will identify the strengths, prior to a decision being taken by Cabinet.	11.10.24

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Partnership Arrangements	Vicky Metherington/Jo-Anne Sanders/Kieran Lord	The Panel will continue to scrutinise partnerships and boards during the 2024/25 municipal year, for example, Kirklees Parenting Board and Health and Wellbeing Board, visits to internal teams and partners and the Panel can look at how data was collected and used to improve outcomes. The Panel can be represented at meetings, events and visits to internal teams and external providers and agree to focus on the following areas: Data collection Partnership working Is the voice of the young person being heard? (as below) Good practice Delivery of quality service	
Voice of the Young Person	Tom Brailsford/Service Directors (Children's Service)	The Panel will keep a watching brief on all areas of scrutiny by the Panel and explore whether the voice of the child was being heard, whether they are empowered to speak up and ensure that lessons have and are being learned.	
Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE)	Jo-Anne Sanders/Mark Janes (Chair of SACRE)	The Panel will scrutinise the work of the Kirklees Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) which includes partnership working with other regional local authorities.	17.1.25
		Panel meeting 17 th January 2025 The Panel will consider the Annual Report from the Kirklees Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE).	

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Health Provision for Children		The Panel will scrutinise the health provision for Children and Young	To be confirmed
and Young People		People in Kirklees with a particular focus on dental care, babies and immunisations.	
Emotional Wellbeing Provision for children in Kirklees and Mental Health in Schools - Keep in mind	Kieran Lord/Stewart Horn	The Panel will scrutinise the experience verses the provision of service and seek feedback from service users on their perception on using the service. The Panel will also consider the fluctuation in the waiting times and trends for children's emotional health and wellbeing. Emotional Wellbeing Provision in Kirklees – "Keep in Mind" The Panel will consider an update on the implementation of the new "Keep in Mind" Service, which was launched in April 2024. The Panel will particularly focus on how the service is working in practice and this may include a visit to the service or attendance at appropriate meetings to understand how it is being implemented.	To be confirmed
Review of the Provision of Short Breaks and Respite Care for Parents and Carers	Kieran Lord	The Panel will consider the review of the provision of short breaks and respite care for parents and carers in Kirklees.	To be confirmed
Review of Children's Residential Homes and Foster Care Placements	Kieran Lord	The Panel will consider an update on the Review of Children's Residential Homes and Foster Care Placements in Kirklees to ensure that children were living in the right home and environment. The Panel will meet with appropriate representatives from the Kirklees Fostering Network, Mocking Bird and carers from the Special Guardianship Order Network meetings.	To be confirmed

Lead Member Briefings		
(Bi-monthly LM Briefings with Cabinet Members for Learning and Children's; and Strategic Director/Service Directors in Children's Services during 24/25) –		
Actions from these meetings will be included within the Panel's Work Programme where appropriate		
Asylum Seekers – Children	The Lead Member will consider the plan to house children and young	
and Young People	people Asylum Seekers at Manchester Road and receive regular updates.	

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY PANEL

Work programme 2024/2025

Members: Cllr Andrew Cooper (Chair), Cllr David Longstaff, Cllr Susan Lee-Richards, Cllr Will Simpson, Cllr John Taylor, Cllr Matthew McLoughlin, Jane Emery (Co-Optee), Garry Kitchen (Co-Optee)

	FULL PANEL DISCUSSION	
THEME/ISSUE	APPROACH / AREAS OF FOCUS	OUTCOMES / ACTIONS
Public Space Protection Orders	Meeting of the Panel to be held 14 th August 2024 Mid-term review of work undertaken to refresh existing PSPO's, to include a Kirklees wide focus.	
Kirklees Enforcement Policy	Meeting of the Panel to be held 14 th August 2024 A report on work undertaken to update the policy.	
Waste Collection Update	Meeting of the Panel to be held 14 th August 2024 A report setting out an update on progress to address issues raised by Panel Members around waste collection.	

Road Safety Update

Background:

The former Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel received a presentation around Highways Safety which set out The Councils statutory responsibilities, (as per the Highways Safety Act), (i.e.-Safe vehicles, speeds, roads and behaviours as well as Post collision learning and care). The presentation also covered issues in relation to capital funding, and the Vision Zero ambition to eliminate road deaths and serious injuries (KSI's) to zero by 2040 and improve road safety for everyone using a safe systems approach. The Panel recommended that more emphasis be placed on enforcement and that the council continue to promote, persuade and influence driver behaviour as well as maintaining strong partnership work with the Police.

At its meeting held 10th January 2024 the Panel received a report on Highways Safety Update and recommended that work be undertaken around collision data, and that this be filtered to differentiate between avoidable and unavoidable casualties and to help identify trends and differences. It was also recommended that the recording and consideration of locations where there were multiple minor incidents be investigated and that examples of successful interventions made in high-risk areas are showcased to demonstrate which schemes were effective.

Meeting of the Panel to be held 25th September 2024

The Panel will consider a report on Road Safety to include a focus on achieving Vision 0.

Meeting of the Panel to be held 25 th September 2024 The Panel will consider a report on Kirklees Internal Carbon Reporting.
Meeting of the Panel to be held 25 th September 2024 The Panel will consider a report on Kirklees Events, to include a focus on climate impact and value vs resources.
Meeting of the Panel to be held 20 th November 2024 The Panel will consider a report on the Lane Rental Scheme for predecision scrutiny.
Meeting of the Panel to be held 20 th November 2024 The Panel will consider a report on the Kirklees statement of licensing policy for pre-decision scrutiny.

Parks and Greenspace Vision	Meeting of the Panel to be held 29 th January 2025 The Panel will consider an update on the Parks and Greenspace Vision
Huddersfield Heat Network (around the development of the full business case	Meeting of the Panel to be held 29 th January 2025 The Panel will consider an update on the Huddersfield Heat Network
Waste Procurement Update	At its meeting held 27th March 2024 the Panel considered an update on Waste Disposal Contract Procurement in relation to the recommended option to extend the interim arrangements. The Panel noted the report 'Waste Disposal Contract Procurement' and recommended that: • The Panel's feedback with regards to tetra pack recycling and occurrences of the receptacles being too full regularly be communicated to the HWRC's. • More workshops in relation to the action taken to address missed waste collection services be offered to all elected members as a priority.

• An update on waste collection services be provided to the Panel. • An update on following the development of the full business case for the HDEN be considered for the scrutiny 2024/24 work programme. Meeting of the Panel to be held 29th January 2025 The Panel will consider a progress report on Waste procurement. 2-year Highway Background: Capital Plan 2024-25 25-26 At its meeting of the Panel held 10 January 2024 the Panel considered an update in relation to the 2 year Highways Capital Plan and it was recommend that: 1. That clarity around the location and future planned moves of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS) be investigated provided to the Panel. 2. The Panel be provided with information about the potential impact the recent changes to national policy and climate change targets may have on local schemes following discussion with Transportation Officers. 3. The issue of blocked drains in the specific location raised by Co-optee (Garry Kitchen) be investigated. 4. The road name A636 Denby Dale Road be amended in the report to Wakefield Road for clarity. 5. Further opportunities for pre-decision scrutiny in respect of the Capital Plan be considered.

	Meeting of the Panel to be held 12 th March 2025
	The Panel will consider the 2-year Highway Capital Plan 2024-25 25-26.
Fleet Replacement Programme and O Licence compliance	Meeting of the Panel to be held 12 th March 2025 The Panel will consider a report on Fleet Replacement Programme and O Licence compliance.
Air Quality Update (Action Plan, Strategy and Annual Status Report)	Background: The former Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel received an update in October 2019 and a number of areas to monitor were identified following implementation of the Action Plan. At its meeting held on 25 th October 2023 the Panel considered the 2023 Air Quality Annual Status Report (ASR)) and recommended that: 1. The documents identified in the report as opportunities for pre-decision scrutiny be presented to the Panel going forwards. 2. It be confirmed with the air quality lead, if the output from the incinerator had any impact on AQMA No.9

	 Work be undertaken to investigate Gas to Liquid fuel to increase understanding of any potential benefits as part of the refresh of the Air Quality Action Plan and Air Quality Strategy To maintain a good relationship with Highways England as a key external stakeholder and to continue building on this partnership as part of the refresh of the Air Quality Action Plan and Air Quality Strategy. The scientific literature review in relation to the potential benefits of Roadvent be shared with the Panel. Clear, effective, and positive communications be developed with regards to the Roadvent project to increase public understanding of the benefit Meeting of the Panel to be held 16th April 2025 The Panel will consider the Air Quality Update (Action Plan, Strategy and Annual Status Report)
Fly tipping Update	Meeting of the Panel to be held 16 th April 2025
	The Panel will consider a report on Fly tipping Enforcement.

<u>Informal</u>	
<u>Briefings</u>	
Statutory Food	Date TBC
Hygiene Plan 2024 –	
2025 / Statutory	
Health & Safety Plan	
2024 – 2025/Business	
Compliance and the	
Evaluation of the	
Food Hygiene Steps to	
Success Workshop	
Parks and Greenspace	Date TBC
Vision (to include	
Biodiversity and net	
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Future of	Date TBC
Bereavement Services	
Kirklees Internal	Date TBC (August)
Carbon Reporting	
(August)	
Air Quality Update	Date TBC (September)
(Action Plan, Strategy	
and Annual Status	
Report)	
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Licence compliance	
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particulate matter	
impact on air quality)	

Golden Threads:

The Panel will consider and would like to receive information around the following themes throughout its programme of work

- Climate Impact
- Risks and Opportunities
- Partnership work, links to other opportunities and engagement
- Communications; i.e.- how is the council using communications to deliver messaging, raise awareness of issues and provide information

Items not yet scheduled:

• Flood Risk (Panel to monitor and consider recent reports/outcomes from scrutiny prior received at OSMC – may request an update later in the year)

Panel Visits: TBC

GROWTH & REGENERATION – SUGGESTED WORK PROGRAMME PRIORITIES 2024/25

Meeting dates: 12 August 2024 23 September 2024 4 November 2024 9 December 2024 27 January 2025 10 March 2025

Panel Members	
Cllr Zarina Amin	Lead Member
Cllr Munir Ahmed	Panel Member
Cllr Aziz Daji	Panel Member
Cllr Alison Munro	Panel Member
Cllr Bill Armer	Panel Member
Chris Friend	Panel Member (Co-optee)
Jonathan Milner	Panel Member (Co-optee)

ISSUE	DATE OF MEETING	AREA OF FOCUS	EXECUTIVE/SERVICE DIRECTOR LEAD OFFICER(S)	OUTCOME/ACTIONS
Preventing Homelessness & Rough Sleeper Strategy	12 August 2024	Strategy being developed	Joanne Bartholomew Sarah Holmes	Pre-decision scrutiny will be going to Cabinet on the 10 th September 2024
Damp Mould and Condensation Policy	12 August 2024	Policy being developed		Pre-decision scrutiny will be going to Cabinet on the 10 th September 2024
Town Centre visit	12 August 2024	Walk around Huddersfield Town Centre Holmfirth Dewsbury Batley	Joanne Bartholomew	
Transport Consultation	23 September		Edward Highfield Rory Davies	Pre-decision scrutiny will be going to Cabinet on the 8 th October 2024
Transport programme – annual update	23 September 2024	Annual update on the transport programme look back and look forward WYCA	Edward Highfield	

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		Schemes that are coming		
		forward in year		
Cultural Heart and wider blueprint? Or separate look at Town centres could go ½ same time then other half	23 September 2024	Huddersfield/Holmfirth Dewsbury, Heckmondwike, Batley Dates for Panel to visit these	Joanne Bartholomew/Edward Highfield	
April		town centre sites to be confirmed		
Strategic Flood Risk Assessment	4 November 2024	An annual update on the Strategic Flood Risk	Edward Highfield	
Local Plan – Housing Market Assessment	4 November 2024	Methodology and implications of Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA)	Edward Highfield	
Business and Enterprise centres	9 December 2024	Review and scrutiny to be involved in that process – Cabinet towards the end of the year	Edward Highfield	
Transport Strategy	27 January 2025	Bring back a draft of the transport strategy Congestion Air Quality Parking	Edward Highfield Rory Davies	
Asset disposal	27 January 2025	A number of reports to Cabinet end of year report	Joanne Bartholomew	
Community asset transfer update	27 January 2025	Share with Scrutiny the process and any success stories against the policy	Joanne Bartholomew	
Housing Growth Annual update	10 March 2025		Joanne Bartholomew	

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Annual Flood Risk Management Strategy update (used to be at OMSC)	10 March 2025		Edward Highfield	
Homes and Neighbourhoods update	10 March 2025	 Damp Mould and Condensation update – (Policy on way to Cabinet) Annual review of complaints handling performance review Town Centre & high rise Block Improvement journey following notice to improve 		
Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4)	Date to be confirmed	To understand the implications for Kirklees		
UKSPF programme review	Date to be confirmed	A report to be brought back about how much have we received – into year 3 of 3		
Employment and skills update	Date to be confirmed	Upskilling certain communities NEET Post 16/Post 18 C&K		
Local Plan – vision and early engagement	Date to be confirmed			

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL

MEMBERS: Councillor Jo Lawson (Lead Member), Councillor Beverly Addy, Councillor Gwen Lowe, Councillor Alison Munro, Councillor Tim Bamforth, Helen Clay (Co-optee), Kim Taylor (Co-optee).

SUPPORT: Nicola Sylvester, Principal Governance Officer

	THEME/ISSUE	APPROACH AND AREAS OF FOCUS	OUTCOMES
1.	Resources of the Kirklees Health and Adult Social Care Economy	 To consider the resources of the health and social care system in Kirklees to include: An overview of the financial position of the local health and social care system to include: the work that is being carried out to meet current year budgets; and to identify any risks. Access to services of adult's social care 	
2.	Capacity and Demand – Kirklees Health and Adult Social Care System	 To monitor the work being done by Kirklees core physical providers to manage demand and catch up with delayed planned surgery, therapeutics, and diagnostics to include: Receiving updated data on waiting list times by services under pressure and to assess progress against data received by the Panel previously to include: An update on diagnostic waiting times. An update on the management of waiting lists and plans to reduce and catch up with delays in planned surgery with a particular focus on the numbers of people waiting 52 weeks or longer. Review of cancelled elective/ planned procedures. Considering new developments and initiatives, such as the community diagnostic hubs, that are being introduced to address the backlog. 	
3.	Communities Accessing Care	To continue to review the work of health services in the community to include:	

	 Assessing progress of the integration of services and workforce. Considering the work that is being done locally to action the national delivery plan for recovering access to primary care. An update on the work of community pharmacy and the proposals from Government and NHS on price concessions reform and relief measures to ease pressure on pharmacies. The impact and uptake of pharmacy service to prescribe. Access to GP services and hospital referrals. The uptake of vaccination programmes. An update to the work being done by the local authority and Locala on providing reablement support, including the actions and initiatives to support hospital avoidance and provide the appropriate level of care and support at or closer to home. 	
4. Mental Health and Wellbeing	An overarching theme that looks at services that focus on providing support in areas that cover mental health and wellbeing to include: • Work being undertaken by Kirklees Local Offer for Adults Mental Health	
5. JHOSC Update	To receive an update from JHOSC's on the following services: Maternity – Calderdale & Kirklees • Feedback on the reopening of the Bronte centre • An update to the reopening of the Huddersfield centre • Birth data for women who live within a Huddersfield postcode and give birth in Calderdale along with women with a Dewsbury postcode who give birth in Calderdale	

		 Mental Health – Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield An update on access to inpatient services including the proposals for transforming Older People's Mental Health Inpatient services. Non-surgical Oncology – West Yorkshire 	
		 Feedback from the public engagement in Kirklees on Non-Surgical- Oncology 	
6.	Care Quality Commission (CQC)	 Receive a presentation from the CQC on the State of Care of regulated services across Kirklees. 	
7.	Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) and the)	To receive and consider the KSAB Annual Report 2023/24 in advance of discussions with the KSAB Independent Chair to enable the Panel to identify areas of concern and/or interest.	
8.	Adult Social Care / CQC Inspection	To continue to focus on the services being delivered by Kirklees Adult Social Care to include: • An understanding of the inspection process. • Assurances are in place to manage the inspection. • Learnings from the children's inspection. • Outcome of the inspection that has taken place.	
9.	Joined up hospital services in Kirklees.	To look at the work being developed by Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust and Mid Yorkshire Teaching NHS Trust to provide joined up services in Kirklees to include:	

 The approach being taken to develop the partnership working between the two trusts including details of other services that have the potential to be jointly delivered and/or supported. Data to demonstrate the benefits to patients for those services that are jointly supported and/or delivered. 	

Golden Threads:

Workforce recruitment and retention.

Performance data to be included where appropriate to inform the individual strands of work.

Reducing Inequalities.