

Overview of Health Scrutiny 2020-21

To: Adults and Health Committee

Meeting Date: 24 June 2021

From: Kate Parker – Head of Public Health Business Programmes

Electoral division(s): All

Key decision: No

Forward Plan ref: N/A

Outcome: To provide the committee with an overview of previous Health Scrutiny activity.

To provide the committee with information on the scheduled quarterly liaison meetings

To assist the committee in developing a scrutiny work programme for 2021/22

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Adults and Health Committee:

- a) note the scrutiny activity during 2020/21.
- b) appoint four members to each of the quarterly liaison meetings for 2021/22 (See Appendix B).
- c) appoint two members to participate as liaison councillors in the Cambridge Cancer Research Hospital engagement board. (See Appendix B).

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1. Background

- 1.1 The Adults & Health Committee has a statutory responsibility for Health Scrutiny of NHS commissioners and providers, and non-NHS providers of NHS services. The Committee can review matters and make recommendations to the NHS and other relevant organisations (in accordance with section 244 of the National Health Service Act 2006). In doing so the Committee should invite interested parties to comment and take account of relevant information.
- 1.2 The Covid-19 pandemic significantly impacted the Public Health directorate and the NHS and this directly affected the role of the Health Committee and in particular its ability to effectively scrutinise the NHS during the 2020-21 committee period.
- 1.3 In order to support the NHS during the pandemic, a decision was taken to pause the scrutiny function of the Committee for a significant portion of the municipal year.
- 1.4 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the scrutiny activity that was undertaken towards the end of the year. It is intended that this report will help the committee to develop their scrutiny priorities for 2021/22 alongside a scrutiny training programme.

2. Main Issues

2.1 Summary of Scrutiny Activity 2020/21

- 2.1.1 Over the past year the Health Committee focused on the following areas to scrutinise:

Covid-19 Recovery for NHS Trusts -

- Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Sustainable Transport Programme (STP) Recovery planning update
- Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Foundation Trust (CPFT) Response to Covid-19

Performance & Quality monitoring -

- NHS Quality Accounts 2019/20
- Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Finance Update

Thematic Scrutiny areas -

- NHS England / Improvement (NHSE /I) East of England Response to Covid-19 delivery of NHS Dental Services in Cambridgeshire.

Service Developments –

- Cambridge Children's Hospital Project
- Addenbrookes 3 Update Report
- Cambridge Cancer Research Hospital.

2.1.2 The Cambridge Cancer Research Hospital report was discussed at the Health Committee meeting on 11th March 2021. The committee confirmed that no formal consultation was required in the development of the Cambridge Cancer Research Hospital. An invitation was given to two councillors to act as “Liaison Councillors” and to join the project group to provide oversight that the developments are involving patients and the public. The decision to appoint “Liaison Councillors” was deferred until the committee reconvened after the May 2021 local elections. It is now the within the remit of the Adults and Health Committee to appoint the two “Liaison Councillors”. The appointment of liaison councillors would enable the committee to maintain its scrutiny and overview function around the hospitals development and inform the wider committee membership of issues that may need to be reported back to the Adults and Health Committee.

Details of the Cambridge Cancer Research Project & Engagement Update report can be found using the following link:

[Council and committee meetings - Cambridgeshire County Council > Meetings \(cmis.uk.com\)](https://cmis.uk.com)

2.1.3 The Addenbrooke’s 3 Update report provided members with an update on Cambridge University Hospital (CUH) Addenbrooke’s 3 hospital redevelopment programme. The programme addresses redevelopment of the ageing estate that Addenbrookes Hospital is situated on and provided details of plans to update facilities so that they are fit for modern healthcare delivery. The Committee committed to working with CUH to ensure they engage with the public in the development of their plans. It is recommended that further updates are considered by the Adults and Health Committee as part of the Committee’s training and development programme.

Details of the Addenbrooke’s 3 Hospital Redevelopment programme can be found using the following link:

[Council and committee meetings - Cambridgeshire County Council > Meetings \(cmis.uk.com\)](https://cmis.uk.com)

2.2 Informal Scrutiny – Quarterly Liaison meetings

2.2.1 Liaison group meetings are conducted with senior management of each NHS Foundation or provider Trust as well as the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). These are precursors to formal scrutiny and/ or working groups that the committee may establish. The purpose of a liaison group is to determine any organisational issues, consultations, strategy or policy developments that are relevant for the Adults and Health Committee to consider under its scrutiny function. It also provides the organisation with forward notice of areas that Committee members may want further information on or areas that may become part of a formal scrutiny.

2.2.2 During the first half of 2020 the quarterly liaison group meetings were paused to allow the NHS to focus on their response to the pandemic. The liaison meetings were resumed towards the end of the last municipal year.

2.2.3 The Adults and Health Committee makes appointments to Liaison Groups and Appendix A provides details of the current scheduled liaison meetings. Previously appointments included co-opted members from the district and city council particularly where there is a local concern. These meetings have been viewed as valuable by Members in the past and have benefitted the scrutiny process by alerting Members to issues and building positive relationships between the Committee and the NHS. Appendix B provides details of appointments to the liaison meetings.

2.3 Scrutiny Programme 2021/22

2.3.1 Working collaboratively with organisations like Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Healthwatch and developing strong “critical friend” relationships with NHS providers and commissioners, the Adults and Health Committee through its scrutiny remit will have a key role in strengthening the voice of local people. It is recommended the committee develops a scrutiny work programme that ensures the needs and experiences of local people are as an integral part of the commissioning and delivery of health services and that those services are effective and safe.

Items agreed by the former Health Committee that required further scrutiny are as follows:

- NHS England / Improvement – Commissioning of Dental Services Update
- CCS - Update on the Princes of Wales Site Development
- Royal Papworth Hospital – Covid-19 recovery update

Items requiring regular reporting

- Quarterly Liaison Update reports (quarterly reports depending on schedule of meetings)
- NHS Quality Accounts Process (March 2022 committee meeting)
- CCG Finances (annual requirement)

2.3.2 New Developments

Health scrutiny also has a strategic role in taking an overview of how well integration of health, public health and social care is working. There is a national move that Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships (STPs) will evolve into Integrated Care Systems (ICS) which is a mechanism to bring about closer collaboration between local systems which includes local councils. Different ways of providing services can mean changes to local health services and health scrutiny has an obvious and significant role in overseeing and holding to account these variations and other changes.

- Integrated Care System (ICS) – development session recommended before formal scrutiny
- NWAFT – Hinchingsbrooke Hospital Site developments (potentially covered at quarterly liaison meetings)

- CPFT – Mental Health Provision for young people – service relocation to biomedical campus.
- Addenbrooke's 3 Hospital Redevelopment programme – progress report

Health Committee - Quarterly Liaison Group Meetings

2021- 2022

NHS Trust	Date of Meeting	Agenda items requested
Cambridge University Hospital Foundation Trust (CUH)	27 th July 2021	13 th July 2021
	13 th September 2021	30 th August 2021
	6 th December 2021	22 nd November 2021
Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) & Healthwatch	26 th July 2021	12 th July 2021
	30 th September 2021	16 th September 2021
	13 th December 2021	29 th November 2021
Cambridgeshire Community Services (CCS)	23 rd July 2021	9 th July 2021
	Further dates to be arranged	
Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Foundation Trust (CPFT)	21 st July 2021	7 th July 2021
	Further dates to be arranged	
North West Anglia Foundation Trust (NWAFT)	30 th April 2021	19 th April 2021
	30 th July 2021	19 th July 2021
	29 th October 2021	18 th October 2021
	2022	
	28 th January 2022	17 th January 2022
Royal Papworth Hospital (RPH)	1 st September 2021	18 th August 2021
	Further dates to be arranged	

Appointments to Internal Advisory Groups and Panels: Adults and Health Committee Scrutiny

Name of Body	Meetings per Annum	Representatives Appointed	Representative(s)	Contact Details	Committee to Approve
<p>Cambridge University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (Addenbrooke's Hospital) Liaison Group</p> <p>The purpose is to determine any organisational issues, consultations, strategy or policy developments that are relevant for the Adults & Health Committee to consider under its scrutiny function.</p>	4	4	<p>Previously:</p> <p>Councillor L Harford (C) Councillor P Hudson (C) Councillor L Jones (L) Councillor S van de Ven (LD)</p>	<p>Kate Parker Head of Public Health Business Programmes</p> <p>Kate.Parker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</p> <p>01480 379561</p>	Adults and Health

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<p>Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT) Liaison Group</p> <p>The purpose is to determine any organisational issues, consultations, strategy or policy developments that are relevant for the Adults & Health Committee to consider under its scrutiny function.</p>	4	4	<p>Previously:</p> <p>Councillor L Harford (Con) Councillor P Hudson (Con) Councillor L Nieto (Con) Councillor S van de Ven (LD)</p>	<p>Kate Parker Head of Public Health Business Programmes</p> <p>Kate.Parker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</p> <p>01480 379561</p>	Adults and Health
<p>Cambridgeshire Community Services (CCS)</p> <p>The purpose is to determine any organisational issues, consultations, strategy or policy developments that are relevant for the Adults & Health Committee to consider under its scrutiny function.</p>	4		<p>Newly formed no meetings were held during 2020/21</p>	<p>Kate Parker Head of Public Health Business Programmes</p> <p>Kate.Parker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</p> <p>01480 379561</p>	Adults and Health

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<p>Clinical Commissioning Group and Cambridgeshire Healthwatch Liaison Group</p> <p>The purpose is to determine any organisational issues, consultations, strategy or policy developments that are relevant for the Adults & Health Committee to consider under its scrutiny function.</p>	4	5	<p>Previously:</p> <p>Councillor D Connor (C) Councillor L Harford (C) Councillor P Hudson (C) Councillor L Jones (L) Councillor S van de Ven (LD)</p>	<p>Kate Parker Head of Public Health Business Programmes</p> <p>Kate.Parker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</p> <p>01480 379561</p>	Adults and Health
<p>Royal Papworth Hospital Trust Liaison Group</p> <p>The purpose is to determine any organisational issues, consultations, strategy or policy developments that are relevant for the Adults & Health Committee to consider under its scrutiny function.</p>	4	4	<p>Previously:</p> <p>Councillor L Harford (C) Councillor A Hay (C) Councillor L Jones (L) Councillor S van de Ven (LD)</p>		

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<p>North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust (Hinchingsbrooke Hospital) Liaison Group</p> <p>The purpose is to determine any organisational issues, consultations, strategy or policy developments that are relevant for the Health Committee to consider under its scrutiny function. It also provides the organisation with forward notice of areas that Health Committee members may want further information on or areas that may become part of a formal scrutiny.</p>	4	5	<p>Previously:</p> <p>Councillor Connor (C) Councillor Harford (C) Councillor Hay (C) Councillor T Sanderson (Ind)</p> <p>Co-opted District Member Councillor J Tavener (C)</p>	<p>Kate Parker Head of Public Health Business Programmes</p> <p>Kate.Parker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</p> <p>01480 379561</p>	Adults and Health

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<p>Cambridge Cancer Research Hospital Engagement Board</p> <p>To represent the Adults & Health committee and the interests of local residents having oversight of the patient engagement strategy and public engagement plan through participating in the engagement board.</p>	TBC	2	Newly formed Board – appointment deferred by Health Committee	<p>Kate Parker Head of Public Health Business Programmes</p> <p>Kate.Parker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</p> <p>01480 379561</p>	Adults and Health