

# Agenda

## Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

**Monday, 9 May 2022, 10.00 am**  
**County Hall, Worcester**

All County Councillors are invited to attend and participate

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## DISCLOSING INTERESTS

There are now 2 types of interests:  
**'Disclosable pecuniary interests'** and **'other disclosable interests'**

### WHAT IS A 'DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST' (DPI)?

- Any **employment**, office, trade or vocation carried on for profit or gain
- **Sponsorship** by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party of your member or election expenses
- Any **contract** for goods, services or works between the Council and you, a firm where you are a partner/director, or company in which you hold shares
- Interests in **land** in Worcestershire (including licence to occupy for a month or longer)
- **Shares** etc (with either a total nominal value above £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital) in companies with a place of business or land in Worcestershire.

**NB Your DPIs include the interests of your spouse/partner as well as you**

### WHAT MUST I DO WITH A DPI?

- **Register** it within 28 days and
- **Declare** it where you have a DPI in a matter at a particular meeting
  - you must **not participate** and you **must withdraw**.

**NB It is a criminal offence to participate in matters in which you have a DPI**

### WHAT ABOUT 'OTHER DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS'?

- No need to register them but
- You must **declare** them at a particular meeting where:  
You/your family/person or body with whom you are associated have a **pecuniary interest** in or **close connection** with the matter under discussion.

### WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP OF ANOTHER AUTHORITY OR PUBLIC BODY?

You will not normally even need to declare this as an interest. The only exception is where the conflict of interest is so significant it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

### DO I HAVE TO WITHDRAW IF I HAVE A DISCLOSABLE INTEREST WHICH ISN'T A DPI?

Not normally. You must withdraw only if it:

- affects your **pecuniary interests OR** relates to a **planning or regulatory** matter
- **AND** it is seen as likely to **prejudice your judgement** of the public interest.

### DON'T FORGET

- If you have a disclosable interest at a meeting you must **disclose both its existence and nature** – 'as noted/recorded' is insufficient
- **Declarations must relate to specific business** on the agenda
  - General scattergun declarations are not needed and achieve little
- Breaches of most of the **DPI provisions** are now **criminal offences** which may be referred to the police which can on conviction by a court lead to fines up to £5,000 and disqualification up to 5 years
- Formal **dispensation** in respect of interests can be sought in appropriate cases.

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#### Membership

**Worcestershire County Council** Cllr Brandon Clayton (Chairman), Cllr Salman Akbar, Cllr David Chambers, Cllr Lynn Denham, Cllr Adrian Kriss, Cllr Natalie McVey, Cllr Jo Monk, Cllr Chris Rogers and Cllr Kit Taylor

#### District Councils

Cllr Sue Baxter, Bromsgrove District Council  
 Cllr Mike Chalk, Redditch District Council  
 Cllr Calne Edginton-White, Wyre Forest District Council  
 Cllr Mike Johnson, Worcester City Council  
 Cllr John Gallagher, Malvern Hills District Council  
 Cllr Frances Smith, Wychavon District Council (Vice Chairman)

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1	<b>Apologies and Welcome</b>	
2	<b>Declarations of Interest and of any Party Whip</b>	
3	<b>Public Participation</b> Members of the public wishing to take part should notify the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance in writing or by email indicating the nature and content of their proposed participation no later than 9.00am on the working day before the meeting (in this case Friday 6 May 2022). Enquiries can be made through the telephone number/email listed in this agenda and on the website.	
4	<b>Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b> Previously circulated	
5	<b>Refresh of the Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23</b> (suggested timing 10:05-10:15am)	1 - 6
6	<b>Progress Update against Recommendations from the Scrutiny Task Group Report on Ambulance Hospital Handover Delays</b> (suggested timing 10:15 – 10:55am) To follow	
7	<b>Patient Flow</b> (suggested timing 10:55-11:25am) To follow	
8	<b>Dementia Services in Worcestershire</b> (suggested timing 11:25 – 12:10) To follow	

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9	<b>Maternity Services</b> (suggested timing 12:10 – 12:50pm) To follow	

## **HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

### **9 MAY 2022**

## **REFRESH OF THE SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME**

### **2022/23**

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#### **Summary**

1. The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) is being asked to consider suggestions for its 2022/23 Work Programme prior to it being submitted to Council for approval.

#### **Background**

2. The Committee routinely reviews its work programme at each meeting to consider which issues should be investigated as a priority.
3. In addition, on an annual basis, the rolling annual Work Programme for Overview and Scrutiny is approved by Council. The current Work Programme was agreed by OSPB on 21 July and was approved by Council on 9 September 2021.

#### **Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23**

4. The Scrutiny Work Programme for 2022/23 is now being refreshed. Committee Members and other stakeholders will be invited to suggest topics for future scrutiny.
5. Members are asked to consider the draft Work Programme and agree its priorities for 2022/23. Issues should be prioritised by using the scrutiny feasibility criteria agreed by OSPB.

#### **Feasibility Criteria**

6. The criteria (listed below) will help to determine the scrutiny programme. A topic does not need to meet all of these criteria to be scrutinised, but they are intended as a guide for prioritisation.

- Is the issue a priority area for the Council?
- Is it a key issue for local people?
- Will it be practicable to implement the outcomes of the scrutiny?
- Are improvements for local people likely?
- Does it examine a poor performing service?
- Will it result in improvements to the way the Council operates?
- Is it related to new Government guidance or legislation?

7. The Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board will receive feedback on the Scrutiny Panels' discussions and agree the final scrutiny work programme at its 25 May meeting. Council will be asked to agree the Work Programme at its meeting on 14 September.

## Remit of the Committee

8. The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee is responsible for scrutiny of:

- Local NHS bodies and health services (including public health and children's health)

## Dates of Future 2022 Meetings

- 8 July at 10am
- 19 September at 2pm
- 2 November at 10am

## Purpose of the Meeting

9. The Committee is asked to consider the 2021/22 Work Programme and agree whether it would like to make any amendments. The Committee will wish to retain the flexibility to take into account any urgent issues which may arise.

## Supporting Information

Appendix 1 – Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Draft Work Programme 2022/23

## Contact Points

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## Background Papers

In the opinion of the Proper Officer (in this case the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance), the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

- [Agenda and minutes of OSPB on 21 July 2021](#)
- [Agenda and minutes of Council on 9 September 2021](#)

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## SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22

### Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date of Meeting	Issue for Scrutiny	Date of Last Report	Notes / Follow-up Action
9 May 2022	Progress Update against Recommendations from the Scrutiny Task Group Report on Ambulance Hospital handover Delays	9 March 2022	Requested at 9 March 2022 meeting
	Patient Flow		Requested at 9 March 2022 meeting
	Maternity Services (to monitor progress of the Acute Trust's Action Plan for improvement)	10 March 2021 21 September 2021	
	Dementia Services		
June 2022 TBC	Hospital at Home Service	21 September 2021	
	Workforce Pressures		To include occupational therapists
	Update on End of Life Care	30 September 2020	
8 July 2022	Draft Worcestershire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Consultation (feedback on the Consultation)		Requested at 3 November 2021 meeting
	Screening and Immunisation (including an update on the Covid Vaccination Programme)		Suggested at 19 July 2021 Meeting
	Stroke Services		
19 September 2022	Integrated Care Systems (ICS) Development – including New Arrangements for Mental Health Services	12 January 2022	To include the plans for the commissioning of Pharmacy, Dentistry, Optometry, Specialised Acute, New Arrangements for Mental Health, Specialist Mental Health and Prison Health

	Urgent Care Update including Winter Planning and the role of community hospitals	3 November 2021 18 November 2021	
	Update on Onward Care Team	2 March 2020	
	Draft Worcestershire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Consultation (final draft)	9 May 2022	
2 November 2022	Health Inequalities resulting from the Covid-19 Pandemic		To include Long Covid
Ongoing	Monitoring temporary service changes (and new ways of working) as a result of COVID-19	10 March 2021 19 July 2021	
Ongoing	Integrated Care Systems (ICS) Development	12 January 2022 10 March 2021	
<b>Possible Future Items</b>			
TBC	Update on Garden Suite Ambulatory Chemotherapy Service	19 July 2021	
TBC	Health impacts of the pandemic		Notice of Motion from Council 13 January 2022
TBC	Mental Health - the impact of COVID on children and young people - Dementia Services - Preventative measures, for example peri-natal mental health - Mental Health Needs Assessment (when complete)	21 September 2021  19 September 2018 (CAMHS)	Ongoing updates on restoration of services during the Covid pandemic have also been provided (from June 2020 - present)
TBC	Public Health Outcomes, including promoting active lifestyles, targeting rising obesity levels, prevalence of alcohol use during pregnancy etc		Suggested at 19 July 2021 Meeting. To include alcohol services and sexual health services
TBC	Physiotherapy Services?		Suggested at 19 July 2021 Meeting



TBC	Update on Dental Services Access		Requested at 9 March 2022 meeting
<b>Standing Items</b>			
TBC	Substantial NHS Service Changes requiring consultation with HOSC		
TBC	NHS Quality Accounts Quality and Performance		
TBC	Performance Indicators (Quarterly) and In-Year Budget (Public Health Ring Fenced Grant) Half Yearly		
TBC	Annual Update from West Midlands Ambulance Service	27 June 2019	
TBC	Review of the Work Programme		

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