

## **HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

### **10 MARCH 2021**

### **WORK PROGRAMME 2020-21**

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#### **Summary**

1. From time to time the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) will review its work programme and consider which issues should be investigated as a priority.

#### **Background**

2. Worcestershire County Council has a rolling annual Work Programme for Overview and Scrutiny. The suggested 2020/21 Work Programme has been developed by taking into account issues still to be completed from 2019/20, the views of HOSC Members and the findings of the budget scrutiny process.
3. Suggested issues have been prioritised using scrutiny feasibility criteria in order to ensure that topics are selected subjectively and the 'added value' of a review is considered right from the beginning.
4. HOSC is responsible for scrutiny of:
  - Local NHS bodies and health services (including public health and children's health)
5. The overall scrutiny work programme was discussed by OSPB on 22 July and agreed by Council on 10 September 2020.

#### **Dates of 2021 Meetings**

- 7 July at 2pm
- 23 September at 10am
- 3 November at 2pm

#### **Purpose of the Meeting**

6. The HOSC is asked to:
  - Consider the 2020/21 Work Programme (attached at Appendix 1) and agree whether it would like to make any amendments, so that the topics listed will be as relevant as possible to the new Panel membership following the County Council elections.
  - Forward the agreed Work Programme to the OSPB on 17 March 2021.
7. The HOSC will need to retain the flexibility to take into account any urgent issues which may arise from substantial NHS service changes requiring consultation with HOSC.

## Supporting Information

- Appendix 1 – Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2020/21

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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 Council on 10 September 2020](#)
- [Agenda and Minutes of OSPB on 22 July 2020](#)