

# HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

## 10 JUNE 2022

### WORK PROGRAMME

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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 2022/23 Work Programme has been developed by taking into account issues still to be completed from 2020/21, the views of Overview and Scrutiny 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. 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.
5. The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee is responsible for scrutiny of:
  - Local NHS bodies and health services (including public health and children's health)
6. At the recent May meeting of Council, a number of constitutional changes were made to the Overview and Scrutiny Panels, therefore further time has been allocated for work programmes to be reviewed. The HOSC, however, was not affected by these changes, therefore, pending any additional suggestions for its work programme, the current version (attached at Appendix 1) will be submitted to the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board at its meeting on 29 June 2022, and submitted to Council on 14 July.

#### Dates of Future 2022 Meetings

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

#### Purpose of the Meeting

7. The Committee is asked to consider the 2022/23 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

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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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