

**HEALTH, SCHOOLS AND CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY  
COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
Thursday, 8 July 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Dutton (Chair) Councillors Dale, Davidson, Faisal, James Gartside, Hartley, Heakin, Sheerin and Sullivan

**OFFICERS:** T. Harrison (Assistant Director – Commissioning), M. Garraway (Committee & Constitution)

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr McGrath (co-opted member)

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Councillor Emsley

**1 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

That the minutes of the Health, Schools and Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on the 18 February 2021 be approved as a correct record.

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3 HEALTH, SCHOOLS AND CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY  
COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2021/2022**

Consideration was given to the proposed work programme for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2021/22.

Members were advised that the work programme could be widened should there be further items that required consideration by the Committee throughout the Municipal year. Developments in the Locality Construct would likely require specific consideration as the governance structure was developed.

**RESOLVED**

That the work programme be accepted.

**4 LOCALITY CONSTRUCT UPDATE**

Consideration was given to a report of the Cabinet Member for Adults and Social Care / Director of Commissioning detailing work undertaken to prepare for the implementation of the Government paper ‘Integrating Care: Next steps to building strong and effective integrated care systems across England’ and subsequent White Paper published in February 2021.

It was stated that one of the key elements outlined was the “Principle of Subsidiarity” which described the requirement for more functions and resources to be devolved from national and regional levels to local systems to ensure:

- decisions are taken closer to communities
- collaboration between partners in a place

- collaboration between providers.

A final proposal for the model in Rochdale was dependent on interaction between the Greater Manchester and those of boarding authorities. In line with further guidance and working across Greater Manchester, the North East Sector and our Rochdale system the Rochdale Locality Construct has been developed with the following three key elements

- System Board: Responsible for setting the strategic direction for the locality and the board this paper seeks to establish in shadow form
- Local Care Organisation Board: Already established bringing together provider and commissioner partners from across health and care, including the voluntary sector, to deliver services in the best way to improve outcomes for the population.
- Neighbourhoods: Integrating services around local people, creating a system of multi-agency professionals from all public services working together. Delivery will be person-centred and take a proactive and preventative approach, intervening early and responding to the person in the context of their community

Four key subgroups would be established to support the Shadow System Board to deliver its functions:

- People and Place Partnership
- Quality and Safety Committee
- Finance, Performance and Risk Committee
- Workforce

Each of the four sub-groups would sit outside formal Council decision making.

Members were requested to consider the proposed governance structure, the role of the statutory Health and Wellbeing Board and the impact on delivery of services.

## **RESOLVED**

That the report be noted and updates be provided to future meetings.

## **5 ADULT, CHILDREN & PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTORATE PLANS 2020-21: QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE UPDATE**

Consideration was given to a report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Education / Cabinet Member for Adult Care and Wellbeing / Director of Children's Services / Director of Commissioning / Director of Public Health, which set out progress towards achievement of the targets contained in the Adult Care Directorate Plan 2020-21, Children's Services Directorate Plan 2020-21 and Public Health Directorate Plan 2020-21

In considering the Children's Services Directorate Plan the Committee considered the sought clarification on the number of external care placements were currently outside the borough. In relation to home schooled children, Members sought clarification on how many were taught by private tuition and how that was funded.

**RESOLVED**

The report be noted.

**6 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC  
RESOLVED**

That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following five items of business, in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended. Reason for the resolution Should the press and public remain during debate on these three items there may be a disclosure of information that is deemed to be exempt under Parts 1 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

**7 LINK4LIFE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT UPDATE AND CONTRACT  
EXTENSION**

Consideration was given to a report of the Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing / Assistant Director of Commissioning detailing an update on the progress being made on the review of the partnership arrangements between the Council and Your Trust (formally Link4Life) and to highlight key changes and associated risks.

**RESOLVED**

That Cabinet be informed that the Health, Schools and Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee support the recommendations contained within the submitted report.