

Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Panel Work Plan October 2023

(to be updated following each Panel meeting)

The Panel will consider issues of significant public concern, areas of poor performance, and areas where Members think the Council could provide better value for money. This is a “live” document and will evolve as priorities or circumstances change.

SECTION 1 – key ongoing areas of current work

Topic	Reason for scrutiny	Method of scrutiny and reporting process	Timeline	Lead
Healthy Weston Phase 2	Statutory: to consider proposed service changes; determine potential “Substantial Variation” in service; and consider options for further engagement/consultation if appropriate	Preliminary briefings followed by formal Panel Review of proposals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Briefing 25/03/22 • Report to full Panel on 20/04/22. • engagement plans outlined at 23/06/22 Panel • Informal update briefing to Panel in November 2023 	Paula Clarke, Executive Managing Director (WGH)
Winter Plans	To consider health and social care winter plans in autumn and review in Spring	Updates to be brought to corresponding HOSP Panels		ICB/NSC Adult Services

SECTION 2 – planned briefings, workshops, and informal Panel meetings. Outcomes may, with Chairman’s agreement, generate Panel agenda items (for inclusion in S4 below) or, with Panel agreement, escalation to S1 above:-

Topic	Reason for Scrutiny engagement	Date	Outcome
Dentistry in NS and CQC inspections of Horizon Health Centre and Graham Rd GP Surgery	To review and feedback on NHS dentistry services in North Somerset with particular focus on current plans to mitigate challenges around access to services. To review and feedback on recent CQC inspections	14/09/23	Both items to be brought to full Panel on 12/10/23 for further scrutiny
How the Integrated Care system	All Councillor briefing to update Members on changes to the Health and Social Care system in the district	18/09/23	Members updated
Mental Health Services at Blackberry Hill	To review LDA service changes	TBA	Written briefing to be circulated to Members
Update on Recommissioning of the BNSSG Integrated Sexual Health Service	For updates to be provided to the Panel as per development and implementation timeline	TBA	

SECTION 3 - agenda reports to the Panel meetings as agreed by the Chairman. This section provides for the forward planning of agendas for the coming year and a record of recent panel meeting activity. Item outcomes may include proposing further work such as additional briefings or potential projects for inclusion in Section 1

Item	Purpose	Outcome
HOSP: 13 July 2023		
Co-option of Healthwatch Chair		
Role, HOSP remit and work plan	Panel to consider the role and remit of the Panel and propose items for the work plan	Work Plan updated
Integrated Care Strategy	Report for Panel review and feedback	Regular updates requested together with ICS data packs and reports from Health and Care improvement Groups
Update on Weston General Hospital	For Panel scrutiny and feedback	That Members receive a briefing on the Healthy Weston Development Plan
Recommissioning of Sexual Health Services	For Members review and feedback	Members reviewed the report and sought clarification/assurance around timescales and implementation; and agreed future updates be brought to the Panel
HOSP: 12 October 2024		
Dentistry in North Somerset	Scrutiny of proposed plans to support better access to services	
Winter Plans - ICB	For Panel review and feedback.	
Winter Plans – NSC Adult Services	For Panel review and feedback	
Autumn/Winter Vaccination Programme	For Panel review and feedback	
Health Watch – standing item	To review the Healthwatch Annual Report 2022/23	
HOSP: 14 March 2024		
HW2 Development Plan	For Panel scrutiny and feedback.	
Community Diagnostic unit	For Panel review and feedback.	
ICS Locality Partnerships	Under consideration as standing item to update Members on Locality Partnership activities and forward plans	
Healthwatch – Standing Item		
Winter Plans – retrospective review	For Panel review and feedback.	

SECTION 4 - Recommendations - Response from NHS Partner or NSC Executive Member

Area for investigation/ Recommendations	When were the recommendations to the NHS Partners or the NSC Executive agreed?	Expect answer by (first panel meeting after recommendations were submitted)

SECTION 5 - Progress and follow-up on implementing Panel recommendations

Panel Recommendation	Date of Response	Actions – implementation progress