

Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Panel Work Plan March 2024

(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 |
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| 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) |

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 |
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| 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 and 14/03/24 for further scrutiny |
| 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 Learning Disabilities and Autism service changes | 03/11/23 | Written briefing 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 | Members fed back and received assurance |
| Community Diagnostic unit | To brief Members on new facility | TBA | |
| Joint briefing for BNSSG HOSCs | To include: new leadership arrangements for UHGW & NBT; Riverside Closure (Bristol); Dynamic Support Register and ICB Joint Forward Plan | 11/03/24 | |
| Pharmacy Closure (Bourneville) | Briefing to be arranged brief update to be provided at March Panel under work plan item | 14/03/24 | |

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 |
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| HOSP: 12 October 2023 | | |
| Dentistry in North Somerset | Scrutiny of proposed plans to support better access to services | Chir to give consideration to establishment of a working group, potentially including other HOSPs in BNSSG to monitor progress on Strategy and action plan |
| Winter Plans - ICB | For Panel review and feedback. | Panel took assurance on work being delivered to ensure an appropriate system response to winter planning and to support any winter health and care messaging where practicable. |
| Graham Road Surgery and Horizon Health Centre CQC inspections | | That the practice provide a further progress report to the Panel following the conclusion of the CQC inspection process |
| Health Protection Update (Director of Ph) | For Panel review and feedback | The Panel received assurance around prevention measures to address seasonal challenges (vaccination and infection prevention and control strategies across health and care system) |
| Better Care Fund Plan 2023-25 | | Focus on elements of the fund's role in supporting community aspects of the Winter plan. Addressed questions about care staff remuneration and query about the composition of the Equalities Oversight Group |
| Health Watch – standing item | To review the Healthwatch Annual Report 2022/23 | Report received |
| HOSP: 14 March 2024 | | |
| Dentistry update ICB | For Panel scrutiny and feedback. | |
| Oral Health Update | For panel feedback and assurance | |
| Graham Road/Horizon update | For Panel review and feedback. | |
| Healthwatch Standing item | Dental Services and Local Voices quarter 3 (Oct-Dec 2023) North Somerset public feedback and insights | |
| HOSP: 18 July 2024 (TBC) | | |
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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) |
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SECTION 5 - Progress and follow-up on implementing Panel recommendations

| Panel Recommendation | Date of Response | Actions – implementation progress |
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