



## Adults and Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee

<b>Title</b>	<b>Proposed Task and Finish - Scoped Items</b>
<b>Date of meeting</b>	28 June 2023
<b>Report of</b>	Overview and Scrutiny Manger
<b>Wards</b>	All
<b>Status</b>	Public
<b>Urgent</b>	No
<b>Appendices</b>	Appendix A – Primary Care (GP) Access Appendix B – The Discharge to Assess Model.
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### Summary

The report sets out scoped Task and Finish Group review items for the Adults and Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee to consider and include in their work programme.

### Recommendations

**That the Sub-Committee receives and inputs into the proposed Task and Finish - Scoped items at Appendix A and B and determines which (if any) of scoped items the Sub-Committee wishes to**

- a) proceed to a Task and Finish group; and**
- b) where possible, agree the make-up/membership of the agreed task and finish group**

#### **1. Reasons for the Recommendations**

1.1 Before a subject is chosen for review, at least one of the following criteria should be met to establish whether the proposed topic should be selected:

- Can Scrutiny add value?
- Does it reflect public interest? What are the likely benefits to the Council and our customers?
- Is the issue a priority? How does it link in with the Council's priorities?
- Will it duplicate?

- What are the potential risks? Is there capacity and available resources to consider this issue?
- Can impact be measured?

1.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee will not deal with a topic if:

- The topic is already being addressed;
- The matter is prejudicial to the Council's interests;
- The topic involves an individual disciplinary or grievance matter;
- Scrutiny Review of the proposed topic is unlikely to result in improvements for local people.

1.3 The attached topics have been assessed against these criteria.

## **2. Alternative Options Considered and Not Recommended**

2.1 There is no alternative in the context of this report.

## **3. Post Decision Implementation**

3.1 Once agreed the task and finish group will be commissioned to under the scoped review.

## **4. Corporate Priorities, Performance and Other Considerations**

### **Corporate Plan**

4.1 This report is aligned with the key priorities in the new corporate plan. Built on the pillars of "caring for people, our places and the planet" and underpinned by a foundation of being Engaged and Effective. The work of Overview and Scrutiny will support the Council in becoming a 'listening council' collaborating and building a continuous dialogue with residents and communities. In doing so, residents are involved in decision-making and Scrutiny acts to amplify the voice of the public, on issue of concern.

### **Corporate Performance / Outcome Measures**

4.2 This item measure how "We act on concerns of local residents and involve them in decision making".

### **Sustainability**

4.3 None in the context of this report.

### **Corporate Parenting**

4.4 In line with Children and Social Work Act 2017, the council has a duty to consider Corporate Parenting Principles in decision-making across the council. This duty will be considered when including items to the work programme.

### **Risk Management**

4.5 None in the context of this report.

### **Insight**

4.6 Insight data and evidence will be used to support scrutiny reviews on the work programme.

### **Social Value**

4.7 None in the context of this report.

<b>5. Resource Implications (Finance and Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT and Property)</b>
5.1 As part of the Governance review a dedicated team has been created to support the Overview and Scrutiny function and this will be delivered within the existing Governance service budget.
<b>6. Legal Implications and Constitution References</b>
6.1 The Council's Constitution Part 2B – Terms of Reference and Delegation of Duties to Committees and Sub-Committees of the Council, para 10.1.1 states that the Adults and Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee will oversee an agreed work programme that can help secure service improvement through in-depth investigation of performance issues and the development of an effective strategy/policy framework for the council and partners.
6.2 The Council's Constitution Part 3C - Committee Procedure Rules, para 35.2 - In setting the outline work programme for the Adults and Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee, account will be taken of the need to scrutinise forthcoming policy, for example, the budget and other major policies or strategies in development, whilst leaving flexibility to allow additional items to be added to the agendas for committees and sub-committees and to commission task and finish group reviews during the year in response to new requests for scrutiny.
6.3 This report complies with the requirements of the constitution.
<b>7. Consultation</b>
7.1 Consultation and engagement of Councillors, Officers, members of the public, community groups and the voluntary sector was undertaken to provide input into the work programme and will be ongoing as the work programme is implemented.
7.2 The Scrutiny team has engaged with Councillors through the political assistants and Officers. The team also undertook a public consultation exercise on engage Barnet and in the Barnet First eNews letter. The results of the consultation have been included in appendix Bi for consideration by the committee and inclusion into the work programme for the committee and the sub-committee.
<b>8. Equalities and Diversity</b>
8.1 Pursuant to the Equality Act 2010, the Council and all other organisations exercising public functions on its behalf must have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act; advance equality of opportunity between those with a protected characteristic and those without; promote good relations between those with a protected characteristic and those without. The relevant protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation. It also covers marriage and civil partnership with regard to eliminating discrimination. The work of overview and scrutiny will be transparent and accessible to all sectors of the community.
<b>9. Background Papers</b>
9.1 None