Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee Chair's Update – January 2019

Scrutiny Review – Gambling		
Achieved since last meeting	The review final report was considered and agreed at Cabinet on 15 November.	
Problems or concerns	None	
Planned next month	-	
On track – yes / no	Yes.	

Scrutiny Review – Temporary Accommodation of Homelessness Households		
Achieved since last meeting	The Committee has considered a background presentation, looked at different models such as Housing First, undertaken site visits to current provision, and heard evidence from the LGA Housing Advisor. The Committee is focussing on how future models of service can be developed particularly for those 'hardest to house'.	
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Problems or concerns	None	
Planned next month	The Committee will reviews its evidence and draft recommendations.	
On track – yes / no	Yes.	

Overview / Performance and Quality Assurance	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	CQC Report Updates – These continue to be considered on a quarterly basis. The CQC attended December's meeting to provide an annual update on their work, including the results of the latest inspection of North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust.
Requests for more information	At the December's meeting, the Committee also received information on how the Council proactively seeks to monitor and improve the quality of local commissioned services, in conjunction with the work of CQC.

NHS Updates / Consultations	
Key Issues / Problems	Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) / Integrated Care System
or concerns	(ICS)

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The statutory Joint Committee has been formed by all seven affected Authorities (including North Yorkshire) in order to consider proposals emanating from the STP/ Integrated Care System process.

The approach of the regional Integrated Care System as well as the new management arrangements in local CCGS, was described at the meeting on 27 November.

Foundation Trust Chief Executives also attended the meeting on 27 November, and it was noted that new proposals for the configuration of hospital services would be brought forward for consultation in the new year.

Skerne Medical Group, Sedgefield

This GP Practice has registered patients from the Wynyard area. The Practice faces a substantial shortage of GP sessions from February 2019 and is assessing options for the future. A public engagement process has begun and Durham County Council's health scrutiny committee has been reviewing the proposals. Members of ASCH Committee have been invited to attend and have been receiving udpates.

Tees Respite and Short Breaks Review

Middlesbrough and Redcar and Cleveland Councils have made referrals to the Secretary of State on this matter. Any future changes to services will be monitored by Tees Valley Committee following the completion of the referral process.

Direct Access to Age Related Hearing Services

The Tees Valley Committee is monitoring the procurement of a new lead provider for these services. Procurement has been delayed and will begin in the new year.

Requests for more information

The Committee requested further updates on the implementation of the changes at Birchtree practice (see last update) and will monitor these in due course.

Regional Health Committees

Key Issues / Problems or concerns

Tees Valley Committee – Stockton BC will be chairing and supporting this Committee during 2018-19 under the rotational arrangements.

December's meeting considered updates on Tees and Darlington Suicide Prevention Plans, update on NEAS performance, and IAPT recommissioning.

The Committee has established a Task and Finish Group to consider the impact on services and patients of the remedial works at

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	Roseberry Park. The Group has completed its work and will agree its report in new year. Regional Committee – This Committee is now chaired by South Tyneside Council for 2018-19. The meeting on 7 September agreed to consider further the issue of NHS interpretation and translation
	services and this was examined further on 27 November. NEAS also attended and provided a regional update.
Requests for more information	None.

Monitoring	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	Committee has not considered any monitoring updates since the last meeting. The next monitoring updates have been put back to the new year to allow all remaining reviews to be completed.
Requests for more information	

Next Meeting
22 January 2019 4pm