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Scrutiny Review – Care at Home		
Achieved since last meeting	The Committee considered a summary of the evidence received as part of this review at an informal session in November 2022 (following the formal Committee meeting) – draft recommendations were then formulated. The draft final report was presented to the Committee in December 2022 – Members subsequently approved the content. An executive summary of the Committee's draft final report appears elsewhere on this agenda.	
Problems or concerns	None	
Planned next month	The Committee's agreed final report will be presented to Cabinet in January 2023.	
On track – yes / no	Yes	

Concerns NTHFT: Senior North Tees (NTHFT) representatives at November 2022 to address

NTHFT: Senior North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust (NTHFT) representatives attended the Committee meeting in November 2022 to address the issues raised by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) in a recently published report on their maternity services. As well as responding to the published CQC report, NTHFT had also been asked to inform Members how it had reacted to the high-profile Ockenden Report, published earlier in 2022 following an independent review of maternity services at the Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust, which included a number of recommendations for all NHS Trusts.

Following the NTHFT presentation, the Committee subsequently raised questions in relation to governance, staffing levels, underlying health indicators, and Trust accountability.

CQC / PAMMS Report Updates: The Committee considered the latest CQC quarterly report (Q2 2022-2023), including PAMMS assessment feedback published during this period, in November 2022.

CQC State of Care Annual Report 2021-2022: Local CQC inspectors gave a presentation to the Committee in December 2022 in relation to their State of Care Annual Report 2021-2022. The key message was that England's health and care system was gridlocked and unable to operate effectively, and there was a depleted workforce. The Committee expressed disappointment that an overview of local services was not provided (as had been the case in previous years).

TEWV: Following the Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV) response to the Tees Valley Joint Health Scrutiny Committee in December 2022 regarding recent

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	CQC published reports on their services, the ASCH Select Committee considered the views of its Members who represent SBC on the Joint Committee. It was decided that, whilst several areas of concern remain, monitoring of the Trust would continue (no follow-up letter to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to be sent for now).
Requests for more information	None

NHS Updates / Consultations		
Key Issues / Problems or Concerns	Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) / Integrated Care System (ICS): Following a lengthy hiatus, Durham County Council (who support this Joint Committee) contacted scrutiny teams across the region in November 2022 with the intention of arranging a meeting for late-November / early-December 2022. However, following liaison with senior North East and North Cumbria (NENC) Integrated Care Board (ICB) representatives, it was deemed that in light of the ongoing ICS briefings to the Tees Valley Joint Health Scrutiny Committee, a meeting of this Joint Committee (which involved similar Councillors) was likely to be a duplication and would not add value.	
Requests for more information	None	

Regional Health Committees Key Issues / Tees Valley Joint Health Scrutiny Committee: As part of the **Problems or** agreed rotational arrangements, the chair and support function for the Committee is being undertaken by Darlington Borough Concerns Council during 2022-2023 (as things stand, SBC will assume this role in 2023-2024). The last formal meeting took place on 16 December 2022 and included items on winter planning, integrated urgent care engagement, vaccination and primary care access, a North East Ambulance Service (NEAS) performance update, and TEWV performance and CQC inspection updates. To enable the Committee to learn more about local health-related statistics, an informal briefing session was held in early-November 2022 which included key data being used to inform proposals for Urgent and Emergency Care, along with a further Integrated Care System (ICS) update. The next formal meeting, and last of the current municipal year, is scheduled to take place on 17 March 2023 (agenda to be confirmed). **Regional Committee**: No meetings are currently scheduled. None Requests for more information

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Monitoring	
Key Issues / Problems or Concerns	No progress updates have been received by the Committee since the last Executive Scrutiny Committee meeting:
	Future progress updates regarding previously completed reviews will be received by the Committee as follows:
	 Care Homes for Older People (TBC – Feb 23) Hospital Discharge (Phase 2) (Mar 23) Multi-Agency Support to Care Homes during the COVID-19 Pandemic (Task & Finish) (Jan 23) Day Opportunities for Adults (TBC – Mar 23)
Requests for more information	None

Remaining 2022-2023 Scrutiny Reviews

Access to GPs and Primary Care

Remaining 2022-2023 Meetings (all 4.00pm unless stated)		
Tuesday 17 January 2023 Tuesday 21 February 2023	Tuesday 21 March 2023	