

## Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee Chair's Update – July 2022

Scrutiny Review – Day Opportunities for Adults	
<b>Achieved since last meeting</b>	The Committee's agreed final report was presented to Cabinet in May 2022 where all recommendations were endorsed. Following this, a draft Action Plan in relation to the review's recommendations was considered and subsequently approved by the Committee in June 2022.
<b>Problems or concerns</b>	None
<b>Planned next month</b>	The first update on the progress of the agreed actions following completion of the review will be required in early-2023.
<b>On track – yes / no</b>	Yes

Scrutiny Review – Care at Home	
<b>Achieved since last meeting</b>	<p>The first evidence-gathering session for this review took place at the Committee meeting in May 2022 and involved contributions from SBC officers on key aspects such as contractual arrangements, quality oversight, and the impact of COVID-19.</p> <p>The second evidence-gathering session took place at the Committee meeting in June 2022 with contributions from three local Care at Home providers. Members also reflected on previous SBC consultation feedback from providers and received an update on the national 'Fair Cost of Care' exercise.</p>
<b>Problems or concerns</b>	None
<b>Planned next month</b>	Evidence-gathering will continue at the next Committee meeting in September 2022 (note: the Committee meeting in July 2022 has been cancelled as more time is required to plan this next session) which will focus on views of people accessing services and their families / carers.
<b>On track – yes / no</b>	Yes

Overview / Performance and Quality Assurance	
<b>Key Issues / Problems or Concerns</b>	<p><b>NTHFT Quality Account 2021-2022:</b> The Trust circulated its draft Quality Account document on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022 following their presentation on this in March 2022 – this was forwarded to the Committee for comment. The Committee's third-party statement for inclusion in the Trust's final document was then produced and agreed by Members – this has since been forwarded to the NTHFT by their required deadline.</p> <p><b>TEWV:</b> Still awaiting a response regarding the Committee's letter (sent</p>

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	<p>on the 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022) to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, and the Chief Executive of NHS England, calling for a public inquiry into the continued failings and lack of notable improvement of the Trust.</p> <p><b>CQC / PAMMS Report Updates:</b> The Committee considered the Q4 2021-2022 report (including PAMMS assessment reports) in May 2022. A separate, and inaugural, PAMMS Annual Report (Care Homes) for 2021-2022 was also presented to the Committee at the May 2022 meeting – this included identified key themes in relation to those providers receiving an 'Excellent' or 'Good' rating, as well as those 'Requiring Improvement'.</p>
<b>Requests for more information</b>	<b>NTHFT Quality Account 2021-2022:</b> Still awaiting requested further information on the new long-COVID service / clinic, and what the Trust is doing to address the large increase in 'concerns to do with personal safety' – this has been chased.

### NHS Updates / Consultations

<b>Key Issues / Problems or Concerns</b>	<p><b>Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) / Integrated Care System (ICS):</b> Durham County Council, who support this Committee, approached other Councils in March 2022 regarding a future meeting, though no further details have been provided since.</p> <p>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 marked the launch of ICSs as statutory bodies around the UK. As a result, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) no longer exist.</p> <p><b>Health and Care Act 2022:</b> This introduces significant reforms to the organisation and delivery of health and care services in England, and received Royal Assent in April 2022. The Local Government Association (LGA) has since produced a briefing which outlines what the Act covers and how it will impact local government – please see the following link: <a href="https://www.local.gov.uk/publications/get-act-health-and-care-act-2022">https://www.local.gov.uk/publications/get-act-health-and-care-act-2022</a></p>
<b>Requests for more information</b>	None

### Regional Health Committees

<b>Key Issues / Problems or Concerns</b>	<b>Tees Valley Committee:</b> As part of the agreed rotational arrangements, the chair and support function for the Committee is being undertaken by Darlington Borough Council during 2022-2023 (as things stand, SBC will assume this role in 2023-2024). The first meeting of the new municipal year took place on the 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2022 at Roseberry Park Hospital, Middlesbrough (TEWV) where Members were given a tour of
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	<p>the facility beforehand. With a focus on TEWV, agenda items began with a review of the protocol for the Committee followed by a presentation on TEWVs Quality Account 2021-2022 and then an update on their response to the CQC inspection published in December 2021 and subsequent Member questions. The next meeting is scheduled to take place in September 2022.</p> <p><b>Regional Committee:</b> No meetings are currently scheduled.</p>
<b>Requests for more information</b>	None

<b>Monitoring</b>	
<b>Key Issues / Problems or Concerns</b>	<p>The following progress updates were received by the Committee since the last Executive Scrutiny Committee meeting:</p> <p><u>Multi-Agency Support to Care Homes during the COVID-19 Pandemic (Task &amp; Finish)</u> The first update on the agreed Action Plan in relation to this previously completed review was considered in May 2022. Assurance was provided around engagement with care home residents and their families / carers by both the Council and CQC, as well as staff vaccination rates and the ongoing development of the existing Care Home Protection Group. A further update will be provided in late-2022 / early-2023.</p> <p><u>Care Homes for Older People</u> The third update on the agreed Action Plan in relation to this previously completed review was considered in June 2022. Developments were relayed in relation to activities programmes, technology supporting personalised care, staffing level oversight, promotion of adult social care as a career, 'Dementia Friendly' accreditation, and collaboration with the CQC. Some actions are still to be fully achieved, therefore a further update will be required in early-2023.</p> <p>Future progress updates regarding previously completed reviews will be received by the Committee as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Care Homes for Older People (TBC – early-2023)</li> <li>• Hospital Discharge (Phase 2) (TBC – late-2022)</li> <li>• Multi-Agency Support to Care Homes during the COVID-19 Pandemic (Task &amp; Finish) (TBC – late-2022 / early-2023)</li> <li>• Day Opportunities for Adults (TBC – early-2023)</li> </ul>
<b>Requests for more information</b>	None

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### Remaining 2022-2023 Scrutiny Reviews

- Access to GPs and Primary Care

### Remaining 2022-2023 Meetings (all 4.00pm unless stated)

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023

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