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Report of the Head of Democratic Services

Report to Scrutiny Board (Adults, Health and Active Lifestyles)

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Subject: Future Provision of Mental Health Services for Adults and Older People in Wetherby

Are specific electoral wards affected? If yes, name(s) of ward(s):	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Has consultation been carried out?	⊠ Yes	□No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Will the decision be open for call-in?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, access to information procedure rule number: Appendix number:	Yes	⊠ No

1. Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide members of the Scrutiny Board (Adults, Health and Active Lifestyles) with information relating to outcome of additional engagement and consultation activity undertaken around the future provision of mental health services for adults and older people in Wetherby.

2. Background information

- 2.1 During the previous municipal year (2018/19) the Scrutiny Board was made aware of proposed changes to mental health services for adults and older people in Wetherby. These changes formed part of a broader set of proposals brought forward by NHS Harrogate and Rural District CCG. For historical legacy reasons, services in the Wetherby area were delivered by Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust through contractual arrangements with NHS Leeds CCG.
- 2.2 In summary, the proposals focused on the closure of current in-patient facilities in Harrogate with an enhanced offer of community support services. Future in patient services would be provided at an alternative location, with York being the most likely location.
- 2.3 As the proposals also impacted on two other local authority areas (North Yorkshire County Council and City of York Council), members of the Leeds Scrutiny Board worked in collaboration with health scrutiny members from those authorities, including a joint meeting, held in public on 15 February 2019.

2.4 As a result of the Scrutiny Board's activity, it was agreed that additional engagement and consultation activity would be undertaken with the Wetherby population. The additional engagement work commenced in June 2019 and concluded in September 2019.

3. Main issues

- 3.1 This report provides an opportunity for the Scrutiny Board to consider the outcomes from the additional engagement and consultation activity undertaken in relation to the future provision of mental health services for adults and older people in Wetherby.
- 3.2 A range of information is appended to this report, including:
 - An update report produced by Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trusts (TEWV)
 - An action plan arising from the the additional engagement and consultation activity undertaken.
 - A summary report presenting the overall engagement outcomes.
 - A specific report presenting the engagement outcomes for the Wetherby area.
- 3.3 Appropriate NHS representatives have been invited to attend the meeting to discuss the attached papers and address any issues raised by the Scrutiny Board.

4. Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

4.1.1 Details of the additional engagement and consultation activity undertaken by relevant NHS bodies is provided in the appendices to this report.

4.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

4.2.1 NHS bodies are required to undertake an equality impact assessment when considering service changes / proposals. The attached report states that a refreshed equality impact assessment will be completed.

4.3 Council policies and the Best Council Plan

4.3.1 The Council's ambition to be the Best City for Health and Wellbeing is embodied in the Leeds Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2016-21. One of the priorities is to promote physical and mental health equally.

Climate Emergency

4.3.2 No specific climate emergency implications associated with the proposals have been identified in the papers appended to this report .

4.4 Resources, procurement and value for money

4.4.1 Resources implications are detailed in the papers appended to this report.

4.5 Legal implications, access to information, and call-in

- 4.5.1 No specific legal implications associated with the proposals have been identified in the papers appended to this report.
- 4.5.2 The Scrutiny Board (Adults, Health and Active Lifestyles) has been allocated special responsibility by Council in relation to health scrutiny; allowing the Scrutiny Board to:
 - Review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in its area and to make reports and recommendations on any such matter it has reviewed or scrutinised;
 - Respond to consultation by any relevant NHS body or health service provider; and
 - Comment on, make recommendations about, or report to the Secretary of State
 in writing about such proposals as are referred to the authority by a relevant
 NHS body or a relevant health service provider;
- 4.5.3 Matters which fall within the terms of reference of this Scrutiny Board include:
 - arrangements made by local NHS bodies to secure hospital and community health services to the inhabitants of the authority's area and the quality and safety of such services;
 - the provision of family health services, personal medical services, personal dental services, pharmacy and NHS ophthalmic services;
 - arrangements made by the authority for public health, health promotion, health improvement and for addressing health inequalities;
 - the planning of health services by NHS bodies, including plans made in cooperation with local authority's Health and Wellbeing Board for improving both the health of the local population and the provision of health care to that population;
 - any matter referred by Healthwatch Leeds; and
 - the arrangements made by relevant NHS bodies and health service providers for consulting and involving patients and the public.
- 4.5.4 The Scrutiny Board may make recommendations to the authority, relevant NHS bodies, or relevant health service providers arising from the scrutiny process.

4.6 Risk management

4.6.1 Any risk managment implications are detailed in the papers appended to this report..

5. Conclusions

5.1 The attached Executive Board presents the Council's overall projected 2019/20 financial health position at Month 7 (October). The Executive Board report also reiterates that there is a risk that not all of the assumed capital receipts will be receivable in 2019/20. Savings to date identified by directorates to address this risk are incorporated into the position outlined in the Executive Board report.

6. Recommendations

6.1 That the Scrutiny Board considers the information provided in this report and the associated appendices and agrees any specific scrutiny actions that may be appropriate.

7. Background documents¹

7.1 None

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¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.