
SCRUTINY FOR POLICIES, ADULTS AND HEALTH COMMITTEE

SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES

11 April 2018
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Minutes from the previous meeting - Agenda item 3

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 March were agreed as a correct record.

Community Hospitals Update - Agenda item 5

The Committee received a report regarding an Update on the Community Hospitals in Somerset from the Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

The Committee was informed that staffing position within the community hospitals was improving but remained below a level was felt not sustainable to deliver inpatient care safety across the 13 wards. However it was hoped that one ward could re-open in June if staffing levels improved.

The Scrutiny for Policies, Adults and Health Committee agreed that the Chair should write on behalf of the committee to lobby all 5 Somerset MPs regarding the need for bursary assistance for trainee nurses, help to attract more nurses from overseas which had reduced dramatically in the aftermath of Brexit, and for more help to establish a University of Somerset.

South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust update - Agenda item 6

The Committee received a report which gave figures on activity from the South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust. Members were informed there were recruitment issues but that recruitment programmes were in place and that there was a Spring review underway with new standards being finalised shortly.

The Committee noted the report but asked for a further update a few months after the new standards had been agreed.

Healthy Weston Programme – Agenda item 7

The Committee received a report about the Healthy Weston programme which set out the commissioning intentions for a clear vision and direction of travel for local services in the Weston and Worle locality.

Members were informed that the final options would be put forward for public consultation.

The Committee noted the report but asked for a further update in due course.

Somerset CCG Quality Report Q3 – Agenda Item 8

The Committee received a report from Somerset CCG regarding their Quality Report for Q3. Members were given an update on the latest situation regarding the NHS 111 and Out

of Hours services and were informed that there was no change since the last update. There was also information about areas to celebrate regarding hip/knee procedures and reduction in total falls. Challenges including 52 week waits and 2 week cancer waiting lists.

The Committee noted the report but asked that the next update included more data around Cancer.

Somerset Health And Care Strategy Update – Agenda Item 9

The Committee received a report giving an update on the Somerset Health and Care Strategy. Members were informed that development was being jointly led with Somerset County Council and the Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group and that there would be public engagement on the plans.

The Committee noted the report but asked that the next update come to the June meeting with the Somerset Transformation Plan item and that it include an engagement and communications plan.

Adult Social Care Performance Update – Agenda Item 10

The Committee agreed to defer this item until the next meeting.

Scrutiny for Policies, Adults and Health Committee Work Programme - Agenda Item 11

The Committee agreed to update the work programme for the next meeting to move the Adult Social Care Performance Update to the May meeting and to move the Sustainability Transformation Programme to the June meeting along with Health and Care Strategy. It was asked if ADHD could be covered within the Somerset Mental Wellbeing Service update and an update on the Cancer pathway could be covered in the next Somerset CCG Patient Safety and Quality Report in July.