

To: Health & Social Care Scrutiny Panel

Date of meeting: 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2018

Notes of: Committee Administrator

**BRIEFING NOTE**  
**WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18**

**Background**

1. As agreed at the Annual Council meeting in May 2017 the Council will change its governance arrangements to a Committee System with effect from the 2018 Annual Council meeting.
2. Under this, there is no legal requirement to have a formal scrutiny function and the Council has resolved not to have a Scrutiny Committee.
3. It has however indicated that the full Council and a new Policy and Resources Committee may appoint ad hoc panels to undertake scrutiny reviews on specific issues.
4. In addition it is also proposed that there will be a Standing Panel to look at health issues.

**Current Position**

5. This Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel meeting is the last scheduled meeting in this municipal year.
6. Although the Panel has successfully completed the majority of its 2017/18 work programme, it has been necessary to ask the Scrutiny Management Team to receive two planned presentations at its final meeting, to be held on 27<sup>th</sup> February, subject to the availability of appropriate representatives, as follows –
  - Improved access to GP services update (East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group)
  - Services delivered to support community health and wellbeing (Pendle Leisure Trust)
7. Unfortunately it has not been possible to secure a date to welcome the Lancashire Wellbeing Service, the main partner used by Liberata's Customer Services staff in helping vulnerable customers, to hear more about the service it delivers.

## Future consideration

8. There are a number of issues that are regularly monitored by the Panel as follows –
  - Pendle Health and Wellbeing Action Plan
  - Pendle's Older People's Plan
9. Concluded reviews are monitored by the Scrutiny Management Team, and this is currently the case with the Panel's review of mental health care. The latest update will be presented to its February meeting.
10. The Panel may wish to recommend that these matters continue to be monitored going forward.
11. At the last meeting of the Panel, reference was made to a Community Care Navigator Project in Rossendale which aimed to reduce the number of GP appointments being taken up by people that didn't require medical treatment. It was thought that this system was to be introduced in Pendle in 2018.
12. Members were keen to keep a watchful eye on any developments with this and therefore may wish to recommend that this also be monitored.
13. Another area of interest that has recently come to the attention of the Panel is the work of Burnley Football Club in the Community (BFCitC).
14. Due to limited timescales, further information has not yet been sought on this. However, BFCitC has given a presentation to the Pendle Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board and its work is well known to various health and care organisations in Pendle.
15. Finally, there is the ongoing monitoring of the recommissioning of homecare services being carried out by Lancashire County Council.
16. After considering the latest update elsewhere on this meeting's agenda, the Panel needs to decide if it feels that this matter should continue to be monitored.

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