

## **Scrutiny Overview Committee**

**Agenda  
Item No. 6**

**14 July 2016**

### **Areas of focus for 2016/17**

**Ward(s)** All

**Portfolios:** All

### **Report:**

The Scrutiny Overview Committee has the remit to lead on the planning and co-ordination of the programme of activities and in depth studies of the three Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

The purpose of this item is to provide Members with a list of areas which each of the three scrutiny committees have agreed to consider during the 2016/17 municipal year.

A table detailing the areas of focus of the following Committees are provided as appendix 1 to this report:-

- Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee;
- Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee;
- Corporate and Public Services Scrutiny Committee.


### **Recommendations:**


**That Member's consider the range of issues identified for review by each of the scrutiny committees.**

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## **Education and Children's Services**

### **Priority Areas**

- Children's Social Care and Safeguarding
- Early Help 0-19 locality delivery model – including youth service delivery
- Provision and outcomes for children and SEND

### **Oversight and Monitoring**

- Self evaluation ahead of Ofsted inspection including relevant performance data (to include young carers in education)
- Protecting vulnerable groups including CSE and radicalisation
- Regional Adoption Agency
- Quarterly Reports from Education Challenge Board including the impact of Pupil Premium
- 5 year school spaces strategy
- Teacher supply and recruitment
- Parental responsibility for education 'getting children school ready'
- Outcome of the 16 – 18 review
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service
- New Belongings
- Quarterly Finance Reports focussing on overspends and pressures.

### **Working Groups**

- Child Poverty
- Child Mental Health

### **Visits to Children's Homes**

Five Members appointed to visit Children's Homes.

## **Health and Social Care**

### **Health**

- WMAS Service arrangements
- WMAS Response rates
- Winter capacity with the health system
- Black Country Sustainability transformation Plan
- WHT Special Measures action plan
- Mortality rates at WHT
- Dudley Walsall Mental Health Trust Section 75 Review

### **Public Health**

- Perinatal mortality
- Health Protection Forum
- Health impact of M6 works
- Public Health finance

### **Working Group**

None established

### **Social Care**

- Sustainability Transformation Plan
- Better Care Fund (BCF)
- Walsall Together
- Section 75 Review of Joint Commissioning
- Discharge to Assess Beds – monitor re-commissioning arrangements
- Finance reports – including challenges
- Safeguarding Adults Annual Report
- Local Account
- Charging Policy
- Overview of Healthwatch work programme
- Black Country Partnership Trust
- Feedback on Employment and Day Care Opportunities

### **Training for Committee Members (to be organised outside of Committee meetings)**

- Mental Health
- Safeguarding adults
- Walsall Together Transformation

## **Corporate and Public Services**

- Network Rail – electrification scheme
- Enterprise Zone
- Walsall Market redevelopment
- Impact of the forthcoming Metro Mayor
- Monitoring of the implementation of the recommendations of the Community Cohesion Working Group
- Petition against the closure of the local HMRC office
- Willenhall Economic Regeneration Strategy
- Implementation of the new refuse collection service
- Changes to staff terms and conditions
- Monitoring of the implementation of the recommendations of the Welfare Reform Working Group

## **Working Group**

Remembrance Day Parades