Meeting of the Full Council – 2 October 2014

Report on the Health Scrutiny Committee Meetings on 22 July and 2 September 2014

Chair: County Councillor Steven Holgate

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22 July 2014

Starting Well: A scrutiny overview of pregnancy, early years and healthy lifestyles

The Health Scrutiny Committee had previously agreed to structure its work programme around the three key strands of Lancashire's Health and Wellbeing Strategy: Starting Well, Living Well and Ageing Well. As part of Starting Well the Committee had requested additional information about pregnancy, early years and healthy lifestyles.

The report now presented therefore provided a focus on: pregnancy, early years initiatives and support for families to make healthy lifestyle choices. It provided brief background information to each of these themes and suggested how elected members could contribute to the Public Health agenda.

It was agreed that a further report on the 'Starting Well' theme be brought to the September meeting of this Committee, after which the Committee would consider clear recommendations regarding its preferred Public Health priorities.

Report of the Health Scrutiny Committee Steering Group

It was reported that on 2 May the Steering Group had met with Mark Hindle, Chief Executive of Calderstones NHS Trust to update members on the Trust's annual and 5 year plans and also received a further update from Lancashire Care Foundation Trust on inpatient facilities.

On 13 June the Steering Group had met with University Hospitals Morecambe Bay Trust to discuss the forthcoming publication of the CQC inspection report and other recent developments.

It was confirmed that there had been an exchange of correspondence between the Steering Group and University Hospitals Morecambe Bay Trust about pharmacy services and there was to be a meeting between the two parties to discuss this issue.

2 September 2014

Lancashire Children and Young People Plan: our starting well strategy

The Committee received a presentation about the Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) 2014-17. It was the key multi agency strategy for children and young people in Lancashire, which had been endorsed by the Health and Wellbeing Board and adopted as the Starting Well strand of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

School Nursing and Health Visiting

As part of the ongoing scrutiny of the 'Starting Well' element of the Health & Wellbeing Strategy the Committee had also agreed to look at the services relating to school nursing and health visiting.

To enable an effective understanding of the whole approach to these services officers representing both commissioners and service providers attended Committee to provide members with information relating to the different roles and responsibilities they each carry out.

Following the discussion, it was agreed that further information as set out in the minutes be provided to the Committee, via the Steering Group or the Scrutiny Officer, as appropriate.

Report of the Health Scrutiny Committee Steering Group

It was reported that on 4 July the Steering Group had received an update on the implications of the Care Act, Home Care Procurement and Telecare.

The Steering Group had also met with officers from Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust (LTHT) to discuss a presentation to be provided to the Care Quality Commission at the start of the inspection process and receive feedback on a draft bulletin for scrutiny members.

On 25 July the Steering Group had met relevant officers to discuss East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group's commissioning of services from Calderstones NHS Trust