

## **Meeting of the Full Council – 25 February 2016**

### **Report on the Health Scrutiny Committee meetings on 26 January 2016**

#### **Chair: County Councillor Steven Holgate**

The agenda and minutes of the meeting may be viewed on the County Council's web site via the following link:

<http://council.lancashire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=182>

#### **Transforming Care for people with a Learning Disability and/or Autism**

The report provided a summary and history of the Transforming Care agenda for people with a learning disability or autism and an update of progress. It informed members of Lancashire's inclusion in a National "Fast Track" programme, and its subsequent mainstreaming to form a Transforming Care Partnership, a strategically led, pan Lancashire collaboration of 8 Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), 3 local authorities and NHS England specialised commissioners, to plan and implement the transformation needed.

It was agreed that,

- i. Progress made in developing the Transforming Care agenda in Lancashire be noted;
- ii. The Health Scrutiny Committee would provide future support and challenge that would enable effective engagement;
- iii. Discussions taking place regarding the funding arrangements for this group of people be noted: and
- iv. A further update report be provided to this Committee at its meeting on 14 June 2016.

#### **Report of the Health Scrutiny Committee Steering Group**

It was reported that on 26 October the Steering Group had met with Sam Nicol who attended to provide an update on Healthier Lancashire and Gill Brown, Chief Executive of Healthwatch Lancashire. A summary of the meeting was at Appendix A to the report presented.

On 16 November the Steering Group had met with Councillor Barbara Ashworth and Pat Couch from Rossendale Borough Council who attended to present their draft task group report on ambulance services. They also met Erin Portsmouth and Dr Kumar from Chorley South Ribble and Greater Preston Clinical Commissioning Groups to discuss workforce planning. A summary of the meeting was at Appendix B to the report presented.

### **Work Plan**

The draft work plan for both the Health Scrutiny Committee and its Steering Group, including current Task Group reviews was noted. It was reported that a work shop would be arranged for members, to be held in April 2016, to consider topics for the 2016/17 work plan.

### **Urgent Business**

Councillor Roy Leeming of Preston City Council reported that Preston City Council had established a task and finish group to investigate infant mortality in its Saint Matthew's ward, which had one of the highest rates of infant mortality in the country.

The Task Group had now established five working groups to focus on:

- The private rented housing sector
- Teenage pregnancy
- Smoking in pregnancy
- Community midwives
- Community development

Councillor Leeming invited members to offer any contribution that they thought might be helpful to the study, either directly to him ([cllr.r.leeming@preston.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.r.leeming@preston.gov.uk)) or via Craig Sharpe, Chief Environmental Health Officer at Preston City Council via [info@preston.gov.uk](mailto:info@preston.gov.uk)