

Local Members' Interest
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## **Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee – 3 February 2020**

### **District and Borough Health Scrutiny Activity**

#### **Recommendation**

1. That the report be received, and consideration be given to any matters arising from the Health Scrutiny activity being undertaken by the Staffordshire District and Borough Councils, as necessary.

#### **Report of the Scrutiny and Support Manager**

#### **Background**

2. The Health and Social Care Act 2001 confers on local authorities with social services functions powers to undertake scrutiny of health matters. The County Council currently have responsibility for social services functions but, to manage health scrutiny more effectively, they have agreed with the eight District/Borough Councils in the County to operate joint working arrangements.
3. Each District/Borough Council has a committee dealing with health scrutiny matters that have a specifically local theme. The Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee will continue to deal with matters that impact on the whole or large parts of the County.
4. The following is a summary of the health scrutiny activity which has been undertaken at the District/Borough Council level since the previous meeting of the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee.

#### **Cannock Chase District Council**

5. Cannock Chase District Council's Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee last met on 5 November 2019 and their next meeting is scheduled for 3 March 2020. A verbal update on the Committee's Health Scrutiny Work Programme will be given at the meeting.

#### **East Staffordshire Borough Council**

6. East Staffordshire Borough Council's Scrutiny Community Regeneration, Environment and Wellbeing Committee met on 18 December 2019 and 28 January 2020. The Committee currently have two standing items they continue to monitor ie:- (i) commissioning arrangements and activities of the Clinical Commissioning Groups and; (ii) the merger of Burton and Derby Hospitals.
7. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 19 March 2020.

## **Lichfield District Council**

8. Lichfield District Council's Community Housing and Health (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee have not met since the previous meeting of the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee. However, their next meeting is scheduled for 18 March 2020 and a verbal update on the Committee's Health Scrutiny Work Programme will be given at the meeting.

## **Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council**

9. Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council's Health, Wellbeing and Partnership's Scrutiny Committee last met on 2 December 2019 and considered:-
  - A Joint report on arrangements for the co-ordination and delivery of domestic abuse services in the Borough. They agreed to ask for a further report to be submitted in 14 months' time, with a request that it contains appropriate data to allow detailed scrutiny and comparison year on year;
  - An evaluation of the SPACE programme 2019;
  - A report of the initiatives undertaken by the Council and their partners to help eliminate instances of anti-social behaviour in Clough Hall Park;
  - A report on the current operational issues at Jubilee2 (leisure centre) and their impact on the centre's performance. The Committee asked for a further report to monitor the outcomes from the various initiatives outlined in the report;
  - An item was added to the Work Programme to investigate ways to encourage greater use of the parks and green spaces to encourage physical and mental wellbeing.
10. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 2 March 2020.

## **South Staffordshire District Council**

11. South Staffordshire District Council's Wellbeing Select Committee last met on 10 December 2019 and their next meeting is scheduled for 4 February 2020. A verbal update on the Committee's Health Scrutiny Work Programme will be given at the meeting.

## **Stafford Borough Council**

12. Stafford Borough Council's Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee met on 14 November 2019 and 13 January 2020. Their next meeting is scheduled for 3 March 2020 and a verbal update on the Committee's Healthy Scrutiny Work Programme will be given at the meeting.

## **Staffordshire Moorlands District Council**

13. Staffordshire Moorlands District Council's Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel last met on 13 November 2019 and their next meeting is scheduled for 12 February 2020. A verbal update on the Panel's Health Scrutiny Work Programme will be given at the meeting.

## **Tamworth Borough Council**

14. Tamworth Borough Council's Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee met on 26 November 2019, 21 January 2020 and 26 February 2020. Their next meeting is scheduled for 2 April 2020 and a verbal update on the Committee's Health Scrutiny Work Programme will be given at the meeting.

### **Appendices/Background papers**

(i) Email from Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council (Denise French) dated 23 January 2020; (ii) email from East Staffordshire Borough Council (Mike Hovers) dated 23 January 2020.

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