

Essex Health Overview, Policy and Scrutiny Committee

Work Programme as at 25 February 2020

Date	Theme	Topic	Theme/Focus	Approach and Next steps
4 March 2020	Quality and Transformation of Services	Healthwatch Essex (HWE) – strategic update	Look at objectives, outcomes and performance of HWE	Chief Officer of HWE to attend and present.
4 March 2020	Quality and Transformation of Services	Health and social care patient experience data	Have previously discussed how to consider patient feedback and concerns in the work of the HOSC. Healthwatch Essex have provided links to Spotlight on Services call data per CCG area collated by Healthwatch Essex – this session is to discuss how this could be used by HOSC to help inform future work.	TBC
4 March 2020	Quality and Transformation of Services	Quality Accounts	Informal discussion to determine HOSC approach to them this year.	ECC officer and Healthwatch Essex to assist discussion.
1 April 2020	Capacity and financial sustainability	Princess Alexandra Hospital sustainability – <i>follow up</i>	Initial session in September 2018 looking at plans for capital funding of potential re-build.	Site visit at end of May 2019. Further update being planned.
22 April 2020	Quality and Transformation of Services/Community healthcare (prevention and early intervention)	Primary Care	Dentistry/Opticians/Pharmacist update from NHS England	Introductory informal session – as agreed during previous work planning discussions
April/May	Capacity and financial sustainability	Autism services	Look at referral and diagnosis times and transitions between services	TBC
Spring/summer 2020	Quality and Transformation of Services/Community healthcare (prevention and early intervention)	Primary Care – <i>further follow up</i>	Contribution to wider system and the STP plans.	To review locality changes from finalised CCG plans and impact of NHSE Long Term Plan.
Summer 2020	Capacity and financial sustainability	Relocation of cardiology beds	Consultation on proposed service variation to relocate cardiology beds from Broomfield to Basildon Hospitals	Follow-up and feedback on temporary changes made over the winter period.
Autumn 2020	Capacity and financial sustainability	A&E pressures/ seasonal pressures/admissions avoidance – <i>further follow up</i>	Relationship between ambulance performance and hospital capacity pressures	Follow up to November 2018 and July 2019 sessions/review of winter performance. Operational representatives to be present

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To be programmed/timings to be determined:

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TBC	Specialist commissioning issues	Proposals and engagement on relocation of services in London	Details about public consultation launched re: Moorfields eye Hospital was noted at July 2019 HOSC.	Outer North East London JHOSC is monitoring - ECC has representation on that body
TBC	Community healthcare (prevention and early intervention)	North East CCG – community beds	Further update on proposals impacting on Clacton and Harwich Hospitals	TBC
TBC	Quality and Transformation of Services	Hospital mergers	(i) Legal merger process. (ii) clinical services integration	Work may be undertaken in Joint HOSCs.
TBC	Quality and Transformation of Services/Equity	Mental health – <i>follow up</i>	Partnership working, service changes, access to services. Full Committee reviews: Sept 2017 and April 2018.	Next steps tbc
TBC	Quality and Transformation of Services/Community healthcare (prevention and early intervention)	Primary care – urgent care	Urgent care services update. NHS111 arrangements/out of hours arrangements.	May be picked up during other primary care/STP discussions.
TBC	Community healthcare (prevention and early intervention)	Community providers – <i>follow up</i>	Previously looked at the broader role and contribution to wider system. Agreed to review local performance	on hold as may be covered under the discussions on the Long-Term Plan and link with primary care discussions
TBC	Quality and Transformation of Services/Community healthcare (prevention and early intervention)	Sensory care pathways	Review accessibility to services and system working	May link with other items on work programme.

Work with the People and Families Policy and Scrutiny Committee (PAF)

Led/hosted by PAF	Community healthcare (prevention and early intervention)	Virgin Care 0-19 contract – <i>follow-up</i>	Two sessions held with HOSC representatives also present.	Further follow-up session summer/autumn 2020.
3 February 2020	Quality and Transformation of Services	Autism services and awareness	Raised separately by both committees.	Joint introductory briefing on health and other support services

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Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships (STPs) and development of Integrated Care Systems (ICSs)

Full committee

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Ongoing	Quality and Transformation of Services	Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships	Seek evidence of joint working across footprints to transform quality of services. Development of Integrated Care Systems.	Joint HOSCs in two footprints continue to look at the detail of proposed service changes. Essex HOSC has high level governance and strategic oversight role.

Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees (JHOSCs)

1. JHOSC looking at the Mid and South Essex STP (Joint Committee with Southend-on-Sea Borough Council and Thurrock Council)

This Joint Committee was established to be the scrutiny consultee for a formal public consultation launched by the STP for various proposed service changes. At the time of this report being written the JHOSC had held four meetings in public and a number of private briefings. [Joint HOSC agenda papers](#)

The JHOSC work programme paused as a result of the STP plans being referred to the Secretary of State by Southend-on-Sea Borough Council and Thurrock Council. The proposals have recently been endorsed by the Secretary of State. Discussions are underway about reconvening the Joint HOSC.

Essex HOSC nominated JHOSC members: Cllrs Egan (Lead Member), Lumley, vacancy, vacancy (substitutes: Cllrs Chandler, Reeves and Reid).

2. JHOSC looking at the Suffolk and North East Essex STP (Joint Committee with Suffolk County Council)

This Joint Committee was established in anticipation of a formal consultation being launched by the STP for various service changes. A number of public and private briefings have been held. The Joint Committee will be the formal consultee for a number of proposals being finalised by the STP/ICS. [Joint HOSC Agenda papers](#)

Essex HOSC nominated JHOSC members: Cllrs Brown (Lead Member), Erskine, Harris, Wood (substitute: TBC) – subject to ratification by Essex HOSC.

Hertfordshire and West Essex STP - There are no current joint health scrutiny arrangements with Hertfordshire County Council.