

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING REVIEW COMMITTEE
2008/2009****1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1 To present a summary of the work of the Health and Wellbeing Review Committee during 2008-09.

2. Background

- 2.1 To aid transparency and business planning, Review Committees operate to an annual work programme agreed at the beginning of each year. Additional meetings/reports are added as necessary. In total 69 reports were presented in 2008/09, over 11 meetings, divided into the following 8 categories. All presentations have been listed under the relevant category:

Category**Number of Items****Policy Review & Development****10**

1. Annual Work Programme
2. Policy Review Scope
3. Policy Review Terms of Reference
4. Westminster Briefing – Dementia Awareness
5. Progress on Policy Review
6. Policy Review Community Day preparation
7. Policy Review Expert Jury preparation
8. Policy Review Expert Jury (extraordinary meeting)
9. Policy Review Draft report
10. Policy Review Final Report to Cabinet

Monitoring & Evaluation**38**

1. Review of Acute MH Care
2. Terms of Reference of the Committee
3. Work Programme 08/09
4. Cabinet Response to Policy Review – Quality Commissioning for Vulnerable Adults
5. Review of Acute MH Services in Sunderland
6. Update from Nookside Programme Board
7. Update on Policy Review Recommendations – Quality Commissioning for Vulnerable Adults
8. Development of Primary Care Centres in Sunderland
9. OSC Handbook 2008/09
10. Tobacco Control for the Future
11. Review of Acute MH Services in Sunderland - Update
12. Work Programme 08/09 - update
13. Skin Care Update
14. Future Direction of Preventative Services
15. Strategic Commissioning Direction for MH Services in Sunderland
16. Replacement of inpatient Facilities in Sunderland

17. Nookside Update
18. Review of Acute MH Services in Sunderland - Update
19. Work Programme 08/09 - update
20. Future Direction of Preventative Services - Update
21. MH Advocacy
22. MRSA Report – City Hospitals
23. LINks Presentation
24. Halliwell Banks – Update
25. 4th Primary Care Centre – Update
26. Provider Services – Supporting Independence
27. Rethink Sunderland Advocacy Services
28. Grindon Mews update
29. Review of Acute MH Services in Sunderland - Update
30. Replacement of MH Inpatient Facilities in Sunderland – Update
31. Strategic Commissioning Direction for MH Services in Sunderland
32. Campus Update
33. Review of Acute MH Services in Sunderland - Update
34. Update on Policy Review Recommendations – Quality Commissioning for Vulnerable Adults
35. Home Care Services Report
36. Standards for Better Health – Sunderland TPCT
37. Healthcare Commission, Standards for Better Health– NTW
38. Directors Presentations

Policy Framework **0**

Consultation **6**

1. Equitable Access to Primary Care
2. Ear, Nose and Throat Service
3. Towards World Class Commissioning
4. Oral Health Strategy
5. Case for Change
6. NEAS Foundation Trust Update

Performance Review **5**

1. Performance and VfM Assessment
2. CSCI Performance
3. Performance Framework Quarter 2
4. Performance Report
5. Standards in Service - NTW

Information, Awareness Raising **8**

1. Health of Sunderland
2. Mori Survey – Sunderland Residents’ Survey
3. Adult MH Rehabilitation & Recovery Partnership Update
4. Co-option Report
5. Conference Feedback Report
6. Overview of MH Services in Sunderland
7. Work Programme Update 08/09
8. Councillor Call for Action – Update

Members’ Items (in year addition) **2**

1. Cllr Wright Future Models for Delivering Meals at Home
2. Cllr D Wilson Home Care Services

Call-In

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3. Highlights from 2008/09

Policy Review

- 3.1 A study was undertaken this year into dementia services in Sunderland. The launch of a first National Dementia Strategy by the Government indicates the importance of looking at dementia and provision of care as more and more people live longer and the rates of dementia increase across the country. The Committee agreed that this was a timely piece of work which could identify strengths and weaknesses and recommend improvements.
- 3.2 Research consisted of a number of interviews, focus groups, a community event and an expert jury event. Internal staff, external organisations, service users, carers and the general public were all given the opportunity to comment. Recommendations made were based on the evidence heard by the Committee.

Mental Health

- 3.3 The Review Committee continued to receive monthly updates from NTW in relation to bed numbers at Cherry Knowle and towards the end of the year were satisfied on the current situation and reduced this to a quarterly report. The committee also received a number of reports on the future of inpatient services in Sunderland and the strategic commissioning direction of Mental Health and this will continue throughout 2009/10.

Future Direction of Preventative Services

- 3.4 The Review Committee had the opportunity to comment on the Future Direction of Preventative Services and through scrutiny provided the Directorate with valuable comment around the service provision. The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee went out on the meals on wheels rounds and talked with a number of service users and staff as part of the evidence gathering by scrutiny on this issue.

MRSA Report – City Hospitals

- 3.5 The Committee received a detailed presentation from City Hospitals around MRSA prevention and the initiatives being undertaken to prevent and minimise cases.

Local Involvement Networks

- 3.6 The Sunderland Local Involvement Network (LINK) was launched with a host organisation of Age Concern. The committee received a presentation from Sunderland LINK about their aims and objectives and it is hoped that good relationship between the LINK and the review committee can be fostered over the coming years.

Home Care Services

- 3.7 The Review Committee received a member request to look into the quality and provision of Home Care Services across the city. Members established a task and finish working group which met on several occasions with a variety of stakeholders to gather evidence around the issue. Members also visited Hetton Home Care and Thompson Park Homecare as part of the process. Members presented their findings to the Review Committee meeting in April 2009.

Replacement of Inpatient Facilities in Sunderland

- 3.8 As part of the Darzi Review Members received a number of presentations around replacement inpatient facilities in Sunderland. As part of the consultation process a task and finish group was established to provide a written response to the consultation from the Health and Wellbeing Review Committee. This response was fed into the larger consultation process that was undertaken around this issue.

Grindon Mews

- 3.9 The Review Committee received quarterly updates from the programme board on the action plan and members were informed that building work had commenced and was scheduled for completion in summer 2009. The positive reports that were presented to the committee were welcomed by Members.

Visits by the Committee

- 3.10 The Review Committee visited the newly built St George's Park Hospital in Morpeth to look at what was possible for the development of a similar facility in Sunderland to replace Cherry Knowle.
- 3.11 The Review Committee held its December 08 meeting at the Leechmere Centre to give members and those in attendance the opportunity to see some of the facilities on offer at this location.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The Committee has delivered another ambitious work programme in 2008/09. Positive feedback has been received on how the significant powers of health scrutiny are being progressed. The Review Committee has worked well with Council Directorates, stakeholders and partner organisations to deliver the work programme and the

Review Committee has tackled a number of key issues throughout the year and looked to work with officers and stakeholders to provide solutions and improvements to services delivered across the city.

5. Recommendation

- 5.1 Members are asked to consider the operation, achievements and impact of the committee during 2008/09.

6. Background Papers

- 6.1 2008/09 Agendas

7. Glossary

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| 7.1 | HHAS | Health, Housing and Adult Services |
| | TPCT | Teaching Primary Care Trust |
| | NTW | Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Trust |
| | SOTW | South of Tyne and Wear |
| | OSC | Overview and Scrutiny Committee |

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