

**WORK PROGRAMME 2022/23**

**REPORT OF THE SCRUTINY AND MEMBERS' SUPPORT  
COORDINATOR**

**1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 The report attaches, for Members' information, the current work programme for the Committee's work during the 2022-23 Council year.
- 1.2 The report also provides an update on a number of potential topics as raised by Members, for the Committee's consideration.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 The work programme is a living document which Committee can develop throughout the year. As a living document the work programme allows Members and Officers to maintain an overview of work planned and undertaken during the Council year.
- 2.2 In order to ensure that the Committee is able to undertake all of its business and respond to emerging issues, there will be scope for additional meetings or visits not detailed in the work programme.
- 2.3 The work programme should reflect the remit of the Committee and the need to balance its responsibility for undertaking scrutiny, performance management and policy review (where necessary).

**3. WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE**

- 3.1 The Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee raised a number of issues at its work programme development session and a number of these issues have now been programmed into the Committee's work programme for 2022/23.
- 3.2 A number of topics were considered for review and an update on each of these has been provided below for information and further discussion:

Potential Task and Finish work programme items	
Challenges of Adult Social Care in Sunderland (Sunderland City Council)	The Committee is to look at the challenges of adult social care in Sunderland and this is the first task and finish working group that is to be established. Terms of reference and scope of the work have been submitted to the Committee for agreement.  <i>This work is now underway.</i>

Alcohol Strategy (Sunderland City Council)	An opportunity to look at the development of the strategy and ensure it has the right focus and how impact of the strategy will be monitored and measured.
Adult Mental Health Strategy (Sunderland CCG & CNTW)	To look at the progress on the Adult Mental Health Strategy for the City and look to include input from service providers. Potential to look at this from a neighbourhood perspective and how services are accessed.  <i>A report on this is now expected at 28 February 23 Meeting.</i>
GP Access in Sunderland	To understand the role of primary care- raising awareness of the new roles and multidisciplinary teams that now make up General Practice (the different roles and what each does) which can offer alternative appropriate appointments for patients to a GP appointment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to GP appointments- Face to face / Telephone/ Virtual</li> <li>• Out of Hours provision- to include GP Extended Access and out of hours GP service</li> <li>• Patient experience of using GP and Primary care services</li> </ul> <i>A report on this is now expected at 28 March 23 Committee Meeting.</i>

#### **4. Recommendations**

##### **4.1 That the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee:**

- (a) notes and comments on the work programme of the committee, including amendments: and
- (b) notes the update on topics for review during 2022/23.

#### **5. Background Papers**

##### **5.1 Scrutiny Agendas and Minutes**

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