

AGENDA

Health & Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: **Friday 14 December 2012**

Time: **10.00 am**

Place: **Council Chamber - Brockington**

Notes: Please note the **time, date** and **venue** of the meeting.

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Agenda for the Meeting of the Health & Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Councillor SJ Robertson

Councillor PA Andrews

Councillor PL Bettington

Councillor WLS Bowen

Councillor MJK Cooper

Councillor KS Guthrie

Councillor JLV Kenyon

Councillor JG Lester

Councillor MD Lloyd-Hayes

Councillor GA Powell

Councillor J Stone

Councillor PJ Watts

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MINUTES of the meeting of Health & Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee held at Council Chamber - Brockington on Friday 16 November 2012 at 10.00 am

Present: Councillor JW Millar (Chairman)
Councillor SJ Robertson (Vice Chairman)

Councillors: PA Andrews, PL Bettington, KS Guthrie, JLV Kenyon, MD Lloyd-Hayes, GA Powell, A Seldon and J Stone

In attendance: Councillor PM Morgan and Mr D McCallum (Independent Chair, Herefordshire Safeguarding Children Board).

Officers: C Baird (Assistant Director People's Services Commissioning), J Brooks (Programme Manager, Maximising Independence), J Davidson (Director of People's Services, K O'Mahoney (Assistant Director Children & Young People Provider Services), J Roughton (Head of Children & Families Casework), D Penrose (Governance Services)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors WLS Bowen, MJK Cooper, JG Lester and PJ Watts.

2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY)

Councillor A Seldon for Councillor WLS Bowen.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4. SUGGESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON ISSUES FOR FUTURE SCRUTINY

There were no suggestions from the public.

5. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

6. OFSTED SAFEGUARDING REPORT

The Committee received a report on the arrangements being made to address the findings of the OFSTED inspection of early help and child protection services in Herefordshire, undertaken between the 10th and 19th September 2012.

The Director of People's Services reported that this was the first inspection under a new national inspection framework that would only be in place until April 2013, and Herefordshire was the fourth area to be inspected in the country. Inspections had focused on those areas

that were judged to be adequate or inadequate. A new multi agency, multi-inspectorate inspection framework would be in place thereafter, which would inspect all agencies at the same time.

Whilst there were strengths, particularly in the area of early years help, the inspectors had identified a number of significant weaknesses in the quality and effectiveness of child protection practice, the effectiveness of leadership and governance in child protection and therefore the impact of the child protection services on outcomes and experiences for children and their families. As a result of these weaknesses, OFSTED judged arrangements in Herefordshire to be inadequate for all elements.

The Director went on to say that, under national arrangements, all councils graded inadequate were considered to require the oversight of the Department for Education (DfE), to ensure the improvements made were as rapid as possible, and were likely to continue to improve. It was likely that Herefordshire would require an Improvement Notice from the Minister which would be developed with the Council. This would set out the specific improvements to be made and the timescales for doing this. It could take up to two years to be in a position to reach an 'adequate' rating. An Improvement Board had been established which comprised the Chief Officers of all relevant partner organisations; the Lead Member for the Council; external advice from the DfE and an Independent Chairman. In the ensuing discussion, a number of issues were discussed.

The Director said that there would be an audit of all cases by an independent organisation in order to provide a baseline understanding of the practice issues that the Council was experiencing.

The Independent Chairman of the Children's Safeguarding Board reported that, since 2010, the Board had not addressed the issue of how all the agencies worked together. This was an issue that OFSTED had commented on, and if Agencies did not respond quickly enough, or the quality of practitioners, including social workers was not adequate, then hard edged child protection would not be delivered. This was a situation that would be addressed.

In reply to concerns expressed by Members, the Assistant Director Children & Young People Provider Services said that significant steps were being made to address the low baseline from which children's social care was working. Issues had been identified and a Principle Social Worker appointed, who was also the Head of Children & Families Casework. The recruitment and retention of staff was a relentless process, but there were very few experienced potential staff available in the market place. Work was underway to explore all issues regarding recruitment and retention including remuneration of social workers and managers and how this compared regionally.

The Head of Children & Families Casework said that there was confidence amongst staff that the qualities of social workers were recognised within the management structure of the Council. Staff felt confident to report issues internally and to expect a resolution without the need to resort to whistleblowing. He went on to say that the degree of Member involvement had been a great support in the past, both to the workforce and to support of the decisions that had to be made.

There had been a three-fold increase in safeguarding referrals without comparable growth in social work staff to support such an increase. There was an anxiety that social workers were being asked to deal with issues that could have been picked up at much earlier stage, before social work intervention was required.

In reply to a question, the Assistant Director said that there were 51 FTE social worker posts, of which 94% were filled. There were more staff than the total number of posts as a result of the use of agency workers working above establishment in order to address

the caseloads. The aspiration was to reduce the caseload burden on social workers to seventeen, although this would depend on the nature of the cases. OFSTED had noted the progress made in reducing caseloads.

A Member pointed out that some of the issues raised in the OFSTED were the same ones that had been highlighted in the 2010 report and pointed out that whilst all Members were corporate parents, the ultimate responsibility for the service lay with the Cabinet Member (Health and Wellbeing) and suggested that an apology for the situation should be forthcoming. The Cabinet Member replied that she had expressed disappointment in the findings of the OFSTED report, and pointed out that whilst it was a valuable exercise, it should be seen as a snapshot in time which would help to inform choices for the future of the service.

A Member supported the need for Councillors to understand their role as corporate parents, and said that it was important that there was no impact on the early help service and that regular monitoring of the degree of communication between partner agencies should be maintained.

The Assistant Director Children & Young People Provider Services said that there was a great deal of pressure on social care and children's provider services budgets. There was significant spend in the agency budgets, although this had been significantly tackled and reduced. This was a high cost area, and a strategic approach was required to deal with the issue but to still be in the position to meet the needs of children placed in care. Over the past year good strategic and operational work had resulted in in-house fostering provision in Herefordshire increasing, which would be beneficial both to children and to social care budgets. The Assistant Director emphasised the importance of early help, and that it was vital at this time that early support for families should not be reduced – particularly in light of the fact that OFSTED judged these services to be good.

The Cabinet Member (Health & Wellbeing) said that she would welcome support from the Committee in the upcoming budget discussions for the settlement for 2013/14. She believed that it was important that Children's Safeguarding should be supported by good services which would have beneficial outcomes for children and would, ultimately, cost the Council less to run.

RESOLVED:

That:

- (a) That the report be noted; and;**
- (b) A standing Review Group be set up to support the work of the Improvement Board.**

7. QUARTERLY REPORT OUTLINING SAVINGS THAT ARE BEING ACHIEVED THROUGH THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR DELIVERING ADULT SERVICES

The Committee noted the quarterly report outlining savings that were being achieved through the strategic plan for delivering adult services. The Programme Manager, Maximising Independence reported that the total savings target established for 2012/13 was £7.956m on a budget of £50.04m. This represented a significant challenge and an ambitious programme of work had been established. Budget savings had been profiled across the financial year and the cumulative target at the end of quarter 2 was £1.849m, of which £1.691m had been achieved. In the ensuing discussion, the following areas were highlighted:

- That there were currently 5 schemes areas that were indicated as having a red status in the table in the update report. The scheme for increased charges had a target of £933k had been approved, with an adjustment to the proposals to take into account the decision not to charge carers for services. It was estimated that £250k would be achieved through charging in the current year.
- The review of the systems process area between the Wye Valley NHS Trust, Hoople Ltd and the Council was the reason that no figures were available in certain sections of the table in the update report.

In reply to a question, the Programme Manager confirmed that the £500k of nonrecurring savings would have to be found again next year, but that the figure would depend on the budget target that had been set.

It was noted that a number of schemes were also rated as having an amber status in the report.

In reply to concerns regarding issues surrounding the budget, the Cabinet Member (Health and Wellbeing) said that she was aware of the overspend in this area, and the disruptive impact that this had on other services. There had been a great deal of improvement in understanding the structure of the budget and the impacts upon it. She was determined that the Council should have a budget that was realistic and robust and added that there would be hard choices ahead for other services.

In reply to a question, the Director of People said that the redesign and implementation by the Wye Valley Trust of the re-ablement pathways would continue to be monitored by the Council, as commissioners of the service.

RESOLVED:

That

- a) **The report be noted and;**
- b) **Adequate resources should be made available to ensure stability in the workforce and maintain stability with the Service.**

8. TASK AND FINISH GROUP REPORT - SAFEGUARDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHILDREN

The Chairman of the Task and Finish Group presented the report from the Task & Finish Group on 'Safeguarding Arrangement for Children in Herefordshire. He outlined the recommendations to the Committee, and during the ensuing discussion, the following point were raised:

In reply to a question, the Director of People's Services said that it was mandatory for a Local Authority who was placing a Looked After Child in care in a home in another Authority to inform that Authority of the placement. Compliance with the legislation did depend on the local authority concerned, but evidence showed that most authorities had informed the Council of relevant placements. The matter had been raised with directors of Children's Services in other authorities, and the Director suggested that the Committee give consideration to lobbying other scrutiny committees in the region.

In reply to a question, the Assistant Director Children & Young People Provider Services said that there was a recruitment and retention strategy in place for social workers, who were being recruited on more than the establishment level of pay. This was a slow

process, as there was a lack of good quality social workers coming through the system. There was movement around the region, which meant that, as well as a focus on training up social workers from staff within the Council, recruitment was possible

RESOLVED:

- That**
- (a) the Committee agreed the findings and recommendations contained in report of the Task & Finish Group – Safeguarding Arrangement for Children in Herefordshire and to forward the report to the Executive for consideration; and**
 - (b) the Executive’s response to the Review including an action plan be reported to the first available meeting of the Committee after the Executive has approved its response.**

9. HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee noted the work programme.

In the ensuing discussion the following points were made:

- That the Committee should consider the Cabinet monitoring report when it was considering the budget for the coming year.
- A review of the quality of Adult Social Care had been commissioned, and that this should be considered when the Committee reviewed Adult Safeguarding.
- In light of the change in Overview and Scrutiny Committee structure and membership, the membership of the Task and Finish Group on Adult Safeguarding in the home should be reviewed.
- A Task and Finish Group on Access to Services should be scoped for consideration at the next meeting.
- The Standing Task and Finish Review Group on Safeguarding would be chaired by Councillor SJ Robertson.

RESOLVED: That the work programme be noted.

The meeting ended at 1.05 pm

CHAIRMAN

MEETING:	HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	14 DECEMBER 2012
TITLE OF REPORT:	YOUTH REVIEW – OUTDOOR EDUCATION
REPORT BY:	HEAD OF LOCALITY SERVICES

Classification

Open

1. Key Decision

This is not a key decision

2. Wards Affected

County-wide

3. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to comment on the recommendations made.

4. Recommendation(s)

THAT the Committee comment on:

- (a) **The Director supporting the recommendation that the LA ceases directly providing outdoor education activities at Bodenham Lake and at Castle Green, and that the provision closes;**
- (b) **The Council provides a list of alternative outdoor education providers to be made available to schools and families and that this is published on the Council's website;**
- (c) **The Director agreeing for further work to continue to explore options for other providers to deliver canoeing at Castle Green at no cost to the public purse through soft market testing; and**
- (d) **The Director agreeing the sale of youth service assets surplus to delivery for disposal according to council policy.**

5. Key Points Summary

- In June 2012 Cabinet made the recommendation that Outdoor Education (the Sailing Centre and the Canoe Centre) will be subject to market testing to determine if they are commercially viable with no public subsidy.
- Recommendations have taken into account financial considerations, as well as wider implications of closure.
- Broader usage of both sites is restricted by nature of access and location.
- This financial year the service has been able to income generate against a third of its costs.
- Closure will result in three members of staff being placed at risk.
- Assets totalling £90k would be available for sale.
- There is sufficient water based sports available in the county and in neighbouring counties for families and young people to access.
- Early discussions with other providers suggest that an alternative option may be available to secure access in the city for water based activities for vulnerable groups at nil cost to the LA.

6. Alternative Options

- 6.1 If the outdoor education service is not commercially viable without public subsidy then there is no option other than to close. This is because there will be insufficient funds in the Peoples Services budget to subsidise the service.

7. Reasons for Recommendations

- 7.1 The recommendation to close the outdoor education provision at both Bodenham Lake and Castle Green have been based not exclusively on financial considerations and have taken into consideration the educational implications of closure, and existing commercial and voluntary provision across the county.
- 7.2 In terms of financial considerations it is clear that as the service is not commercially viable without subsidy from the public purse. Further investment in terms of marketing and promotion may increase income generation from schools but there is an unmitigated risk that users will not be able to afford to pay for usage. Our evidence is that any extra income generation is unlikely to alter the commercial viability significantly. It is therefore not economically viable for the council to continue to provide the service.
- 7.3 A recent mapping exercise has identified 29 existing commercial and voluntary providers of outdoor education services both in Herefordshire and in surrounding counties. This suggests that the market has sufficient provision. This makes it difficult for the council to compete in a challenging market, but also suggests that if there is already sufficient provision that the council does not need to provide such facilities themselves. A list of providers is at Appendix A.

8. Introduction and Background

- 8.1 In June 2012 Cabinet made the following recommendations that:

- Outdoor Education (the Sailing Centre and the Canoe Centre) will be subject to market testing to determine if they are commercially viable with no public subsidy and;
- Should no suitable provider be found, the Director is authorised to make arrangements to close the provision.

This report makes the recommendation that the Sailing Centre and the Canoe Centre are not commercially viable without public subsidy and therefore should close.

9. Key Considerations

- 9.1 'Learning Outside of the Classroom' encourages young people to engage in positive behaviour, develop positive relationships, develop self-confidence and deal with change and challenge.
- 9.2 Young people who attend the canoeing and sailing Centres grow in self-esteem, confidence and independence.
- 9.3 The educational value of these activities are not in doubt, and the implications of closure have been considered in the light of this.
- 9.4 This financial year, 2012/13, the focus has been on trying to evidence commercial viability by increasing income generation from sailing and canoeing. This would have resulted in reducing the public subsidy. However this year this has been difficult due to uncontrollable external factors. Poor weather during the summer season and the need to close the lake due to the growth of algae has meant that the income generation targets have not been achievable. These external factors continue to be a risk to the commercial viability of the service.
- 9.5 One consideration in terms of improving commercial viability would be to increase activity at both sites to increase income generation by attracting tourists, families, businesses and schools.
- 9.6 There are a number of issues with increasing activity at both sites.
- 9.7 An increase in water based activity at Bodenham Lake is restricted due to covenants detailing the types of educational activity that can be carried out. A covenant established by Lord Hereford in 1969 details permitted usage of the lake by sailing boats. A further covenant was written in 1995 when the land transferred to Leominster District Council restricting use of any buildings.
- 9.8 Increased activity at the lake will undoubtedly generate opposition from those that seek to maintain the area as a nature reserve, and from local residents objecting to increase in traffic in particular minibuses and coaches bringing large groups to the lake. This means that it would be difficult for increased activity at the lake to be provided by the Local Authority or other providers and therefore is unlikely to ever be commercially viable.
- 9.9 Access to Castle Green by vehicle is restricted making it difficult to encourage greater use from families, tourists, businesses and schools. The Castle Green site is a protected site which limits the nature of activity.
- 9.10 There is no access to facilities at Castle Green for users with disabilities.
- 9.11 Whilst access to the river at Castle Green is separate to the Castle Green training centre, any future use of the building will restrict access.

- 9.12 Currently there is storage and limited changing facilities within the Castle Green training centre, and this may be affected by future use of the building. The building is being leased to Friends of Castle Green and storage and use of changing facilities is secured on a temporary basis. The changing facilities are not suitable for any commercial use.
- 9.13 Income generation and current usage of the facilities have been taken into account:
- 9.14 Groups are charged £25 per hour to take part in water based activities. Groups participate with a ratio of 8 users to one instructor. If a school brings a group of 24 young people, then 3 instructors are required at £25 an hour each. The cost to school for a 2 hour session is therefore £150.
- 9.15 During 2012/13 there have been 837 individual users of the facilities, from 22 different settings including 14 schools. Income generated to date is £15,372. The service manager is profiling an income of £22,000 for this financial year but it is doubtful this will be achieved due to the poor weather conditions. Current users have been asked to attend a meeting to discuss the future of the service. Only four users responded and they were unable to commit to using the centre next financial year.
- 9.16 The full year budget for the Bodenham sailing centre in 2012/13 is £38,775.
- 9.17 The full year budget for the Canoe Centre in 2012/13 is £22,495.
- 9.18 The total operating budget for the outdoor education service is therefore is £61,270.
- 9.19 Should the income generating target of £22,000 be met this financial year, this means that the shortfall is £39,270. The service is therefore generating only 33% of total costs. It is unlikely that the service can generate sufficient income to cover 100% of costs. The risks are likely to be increased as pressure on schools budgets increase and they are no longer able to commit to paying for outdoor education services.
- 9.20 It is my recommendation that the service ceases from April 1st 2013 as the service is not commercially viable without subsidy from the public purse.
- 9.21 Closure will impact on 3 members of staff. One FTE and two part time staff. These staff will be placed at risk. I am awaiting redundancy forecasts for these staff. Should the decision to close be made, the HR process will need to begin during December in order to realise savings by 1st April 2013.
- 9.22 Assets at both sites have been valued at £90,000 and authority to release these assets for sale would generate significant income. Corporate property services are currently valuing the mobile classroom and changing facilities at the lake.
- 9.23 Future options to secure continued to access outdoor education activities in Herefordshire:
- 9.24 In testing out the commercial viability of the provision there has been an evaluation of the alternatives available to the Council to secure the long-term future of canoeing and sailing. A mapping exercise has established that there is a range of provision across the county and in nearby counties – see Appendix A.
- 9.25 Some soft market testing has begun to identify a range of options for the future use of the facilities and to secure access to water based activities in the city. Early discussions with Taste for Adventure, the Herefordshire Outdoor Trust and with Friends of Castle Green suggests that there may be opportunities to negotiate free access to activities for a number of vulnerable groups in return for access to the river at Castle Green. Letters have been received from Taste for Adventure, and the Herefordshire Outdoor Trust offering the

opportunity to enter into dialogue to discuss those groups possibly taking on some or all of the delivery of outdoor education services. These are attached at Appendix B. These discussions with these and other providers can move forward should the Director make the decision to cease LA provision of the service.

10. Community Impact

- 10.1 During consultation 81% of respondents stated that the outdoor education provision should not close. 59% of responses from young people stated that outdoor education activities should raise the money to pay for themselves. The mapping of alternative provision has demonstrated that there is sufficient provision of water based activity in the county and in neighbouring counties.

11. Equality and Human Rights

- 11.1 This decision pays due regard to our public sector equality duty. The recommendations consider the needs and rights of different members of our community. We have considered how the recommendations will impact on particular equality groups in particular the impact on young people.

12. Financial Implications

- 12.1 The Council is facing significant challenges in financial terms and through the national settlement and reductions in funding. The Council's five year financial strategy includes an estimated 29.7% reduction in government formula grant. Budget decisions have been based on a set of core principles that include Supporting the Vulnerable. The process also includes fundamentally challenging what the council does to ensure appropriate use of public funding and quality of service.
- 12.2 The full year budget for the Bodenham sailing centre in 2012/13 is £38,775.
- 12.3 The full year budget for the Canoe Centre in 2012/13 is £22,495.
- 12.4 The total operating budget for the outdoor education service is therefore is £61,270.
- 12.5 Should the income generating target of £22,000 be met this financial year, this means that the shortfall is £39,270. The service is therefore generating only 33% of total costs.
- 12.6 Closure will incur redundancy costs in 2012/13 but will realise cost savings of £61,270 for 2013/14. Sale of assets may generate sufficient income to cover redundancy costs.

13. Legal Implications

- 13.1 There are no statutory duties to deliver outdoor education. The revised 'Statutory Guidance for Local Authorities on Services and Activities to Improve Young Peoples Well-being' states that the LA should publicise the local offer of services and activities available for young people. This we can deliver by publicising alternative providers on our council website.

14. Risk Management

- 14.1 Risk if the LA ceases to directly provide Outdoor Education facilities:
- Reputational risk to LA – public/legal challenge as seen in other LA areas. Mitigate by opportunity for needs and delivery to be identified and met locally.

- 81% of consulters expressed a clear view that they did not want outdoor education facilities to close. Mitigate through publicising list of alternative outdoor education providers across Herefordshire and surrounding counties.
- Loss of facilities for a range of children and young people including those most vulnerable. Mitigate by exploring outsourcing of delivery rather than ceasing delivery and funding will be targeted on young people with the greatest need, and the proposed investment in building local voluntary sector provision.

15. Consultees

- 15.1 As part of the youth review public consultation the views of the public were sought on whether outdoor education should close. All staff members affected by this decision have been consulted and informed. A meeting has been called inviting those who have purchased a service from the team to ascertain their needs for the service for 2013/14.
- 15.2 Widespread consultation has been undertaken across the county with young people, parents and carers, community groups and third sector organisations for a period of twelve weeks in order to consider the issues and proposals set out in the Youth Review Cabinet Report. A full report on the consultation feedback is available on request.
- 15.3 This recommendation has been informed by some informal soft market testing and consultation with third sector outdoor education providers. Should the decision be made to cease LA direct provision of the outdoor education services, then more formal consultation will take place with all providers. Whilst the LA is not looking for a fully commissioned model to deliver outdoor education services, the main focus will be on working with existing outdoor education providers to explore options to secure access to activities for the most vulnerable. We do not have a commissioning budget to do this; however we do have access to the river and that can be our contribution. There is scope and enthusiasm amongst existing outdoor education providers to develop this further at no cost to the Local Authority.

16. Appendices

- 16.1 Appendix A List of other providers
Appendix B letter from Herefordshire Outdoor Trust

17. Background Papers

- 17.1 Cabinet Papers – 15 December 2011

Outdoor Education Providers in Herefordshire and surrounding counties

Woodlands	Glasbury-on-Wye Powys (via Hereford) HR3 5LP	01497 847272	www.woodlandsoec.org
Taste for Adventure	Hafod Credenhill Hereford HR4 7DA	01432 761398	
Dinedor outdoor centre	Dinedor outdoor centre	01432 870 327	info@dinedoroutdoorcentre.org.uk
Wyedean canoe and adventure	Symonds Yat East, Herefordshire HR9 6JL		Canadian canoeing
PGL Hillcrest adventure centre, Ross on Wye and Llwyn Filly, Hay on Wye	Alton Court Penyard Lane Ross-on-Wye Herefordshire HR9 5GL	0844 371 0101	enquiries@pgl.co.uk
Tipi adventure	12 Croft Close Bartestree Herefordshire HR1 4DJ		
A to Z expeditions	The Old Stores Dorstone Hereford HR3 6AN	01981 550 433	info@azexpeditions.com
Glasbury House outdoor education centre	Glasbury House OEC Glasbury Hereford, HR3 5NW	(0)1497 847231	admin.glasbury@visionrcl.org.uk
Longtown outdoor education centre	Longtown Hereford HR2 0LD	01873 860225	
Wye Valley Canoe Hire	The Boat House Glasbury-on-Wye Powys HR3 5NP	01497 847213	
Paddles and pedals canoe and cycle hire	15 Castle Street Hay-on-Wye Herefordshire HR3 5DF	01497 820604	
Interactivities	2 Wyeside Cottages Glasbury Herefordshire HR3 5NP	01497 847602	
Mountain and Water	PO Box 128 ABERGAVENNY Monmouthshire NP7 1AG	01873 831 825	
In2adventures	Ynys Thomas Bach, Pendre Barns Llangorse Powys LD3 7TT	0751 5016400	
Call of the Wild Adventure Activities Ltd	Maes y Fron Abercrave Powys SA9 1XU	01639 700388	

Outdoors@hay	Tylau Cottage, Llanigon Hay on Wye Herefordshire HR3 5PN	01497 820426	
Hawk Adventures	Garreg Wen, Golden Grove Llanarthney Carmarthenshire SA32 8JR	01558 668878	
Absolute Adventure Ltd	Rhongyr Isaf Centre Pen- Y-Cae Powys SA9 1GB	01639 730518	
Backwaters	PO Box 128 ABERGAVENNY Monmouthshire NP7 1AG	01873 831825 - 07527 941245	Canoe, Kayaks and Camping Equipment for Hire
Black Mountain Activities	Three Cocks Brecon Powys LD3 0SD	01497 847897	Adventurous activities
Celtic Canoes	Long Barn Felindre, Brecon Powys LD3 0TE	01497 847759	Canoe and kayak hire
SCHOOL CAMP Ltd	Crynant Neath Port Talbot SA10 8SR	01639 750043 0800 1223124	Residential experiences
LLANGORSE MULTI ACTIVITY CENTRE	The Gilfach Llangorse Brecon Powys LD3 7UH	0333 600 2020	



HEREFORDSHIRE OUTDOOR TRUST

Mrs D. McMillan,
Head of Provider Services,
Blackfriars Offices,
Blackfriars Street,
Hereford,
HR4 9ZR

30 October 2012

Dear Mrs McMillan,

Re: Outdoor Education Resources in Herefordshire.

It has been brought to Herefordshire Outdoor Trust's attention that due to financial constraints on Herefordshire Council it is considering cessation of its Outdoor Education programme and disposal of the resources that facilitate its delivery.

Herefordshire Outdoor Trust was formed in 2003, as a response to Herefordshire Council's then Youth Service wanting to relinquish its responsibility for managing and operating Dinedor Outdoor Centre.

Since taking on the strategic overview of Dinedor Outdoor Centre, Herefordshire Outdoor Trust has enabled and facilitated the Centre in attracting Lottery funding for refurbishment works on the site and within the buildings and other funding streams, including the Four Acre Trust, to support and enhance the delivery of outdoor education and 'Learning Outside the Classroom' programmes. This has all ensured that opportunities have been afforded to the diversity of children and young people, both local to Herefordshire and from out of County, that have accessed the Centre to enrich their knowledge, learning and experiences.

In light of the current financial constraints for Herefordshire Council and the possibility that both the delivery of the Outdoor Education programme and the Outdoor Education facilities may be being considered for cessation, the Trustees of Herefordshire Outdoor Trust would like to be offered the opportunity to enter into dialogue with Herefordshire Council with the purpose of the Trust taking on some, if not all, of the delivery of the Outdoor Education programme and the facilities, to include the Canoe Centre at Castle Green and Bodenham Lake Centre.

In the first instance, as the nominated Trustee from Herefordshire Outdoor Trust tasked with contacting yourselves, I would warmly welcome the opportunity for conversation and dialogue on the Trust's proposal, as detailed above. I can be contacted on 07776 300320 or email; pr@dinedoroutdoorcentre.org.uk

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Stu McFarlane
Trustee – Herefordshire Outdoor Trust



MEETING:	HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	14 DECEMBER 2012
TITLE OF REPORT:	²GETHER NHS FOUNDATION TRUST – PERFORMANCE UPDATE
REPORT BY:	Director of Service Delivery, ²gether NHS Foundation Trust

CLASSIFICATION: Open

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

To receive a presentation from the ²gether NHS Foundation Trust.

MEETING:	HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	14 DECEMBER 2012
TITLE OF REPORT:	WYE VALLEY NHS TRUST – PERFORMANCE UPDATE
REPORT BY:	Chief Executive, Wye Valley NHS Trust

CLASSIFICATION: Open

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

To receive a presentation from the Wye Valley NHS Trust.

MEETING:	HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	14 DECEMBER 2012
TITLE OF REPORT:	RECOVERY PLAN FOR CHILDREN'S SAFEGUARDING
REPORT BY:	Director of People's Services

CLASSIFICATION: Open

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

To receive an update on the progress of the Recovery Plan for child protection services in Herefordshire.

MEETING:	HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	14 DECEMBER 2012
TITLE OF REPORT:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME
REPORT BY:	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – LAW, GOVERNANCE AND RESILIENCE

CLASSIFICATION: Open

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

To consider the Committee's work programme.

Recommendation

THAT: the work programme as appended be noted, subject to any comments the Committee wishes to make.

Key Points Summary

- The Committee is asked to note its work programme and to note progress on current work. .

Alternative Options

- 1 It is for the Committee to determine its work programme as it sees fit to reflect the priorities facing Herefordshire. Any number of subjects could be included in the work programme. However, the Committee does need to be selective and ensure that the work programme is focused on the key issues, realistic and deliverable within the existing resources available.

Reasons for Recommendations

- 2 The Committee needs to develop a manageable work programme to ensure that scrutiny is focused, effective and produces clear outcomes.

Introduction and Background

- 3 An outline work programme only is appended for this meeting. This is because the programme is under review.

Further information on the subject of this report is available from
David Penrose, Democratic Services, on (01432) 383690

Community Impact

- 5 The topics selected for scrutiny should have regard to what matters to the County's residents.

Financial Implications

- 6 The costs of the work of the Scrutiny Committee will have to be met within existing resources. It should be noted the costs of running scrutiny will be subject to an assessment to support appropriate processes.

Legal Implications

- 7 The Council is required to deliver an Overview and Scrutiny function.

Risk Management

- 8 There is a reputational risk to the Council if the Overview and Scrutiny function does not operate effectively. The arrangements for the development of the work programme should help to mitigate this risk.

Consultees

- 9 Following initial consultation on topics for scrutiny with Directors and Members of the Cabinet, all Members of the Council were invited to suggest items for scrutiny.

Appendices

- 10 Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee outline Work Programme
Herefordshire Public Services Rolling Programme

Background Papers

- None identified.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON 14 DECEMBER 2012

11 JANUARY 2013	
Discussion: Clinical Commissioning Group NHS West Mercia Cluster	Content of future updates to ensure they present clear picture of service delivery; with performance information to be provided in advance of the meeting. Cluster performance data to be monitored quarterly. Committee to assess the impact on population. (July 12)
Completed Task & Finish Reviews: Monitoring progress against the Executive Action Plans	To monitor progress against the Executive Action Plan arising from the Task & Finish Review on Adult Safeguarding in Herefordshire.
Task & Finish Group: Recovery Plan for Children's Safeguarding	To consider membership and a scoping statement for the review group.
Task & Finish Review Group: Access to services	To consider membership and a scoping statement for the review group.
Recovery Plan for Children's Safeguarding	To receive a progress report on the Action Plan.
Work Programme	To consider the Committees Work Programme
7 FEBRUARY 2013 at 7pm	
Health & Wellbeing Board – governance and operation	To receive a report on the Health & Wellbeing Board prior to the Board becoming formally constituted on 1 April 2013
Governance of Health Watch	To receive a report on the Governance of Health Watch
Work Programme	To consider the Committees Work Programme
22 MARCH 2013	
2gether NHS Trust	To provide a report on the Trust's Annual Plan for 2013/14.
West Midlands Ambulance NHS Trust	To provide a report on the Trust's Annual Plan for 2013/14.
Strategic Plan for Delivering Adult Services	To consider a quarterly report containing a schedule of performance reports outlining the savings that are being achieved through the Strategic Plan.
Executive Responses to Task and Finish Review - Safeguarding of Children	To receive the Executive response to the Task & Finish Review into Safeguarding of Children and to consider the Executive's Action Plan.
Recovery Plan for Children Safeguarding	To receive a progress report on the Action Plan.
Work Programme	To consider the Committees Work Programme
12 APRIL 2013	
Wye Valley NHS Trust; Clinical Commissioning Group; and NHS West Mercia Cluster.	To provide a report on the Trust's Annual Plan for 2013/14. Content of future updates to ensure they present clear picture of service delivery; with performance information to be provided in advance of the meeting.

Stroke Services	Cluster performance data to be monitored quarterly. Committee to assess the impact on population. To receive an update.
Work Programme	To consider the Committees Work Programme
3 MAY 2013 at 7pm	
Quality Accounts: Wye Valley NHS Trust West Midlands Ambulance NHS Trust 2gether NHS Trust	To consider the Quality Accounts
Work Programme	To consider the Committees Work Programme
JULY 2013	
Recovery Plan for Children Safeguarding	To receive a progress report on the Action Plan.
Strategic Plan for Delivering Adult Services	To consider a quarterly report containing a schedule of performance reports outlining the savings that are being achieved through the Strategic Plan. (July12)

The following issues have been identified for consideration but not scheduled:

Root and Branch Reviews – (relating to this Committee - pre consideration by Cabinet)
Children’s health and wellbeing (a focus on Childhood obesity)
Health Trust Quality Accounts (annually in spring if required)
National Health Policies
Committee visit to 2Gether Trust followed by update on user feedback.

Task and Finish Reviews –Progress Report

REVIEWS IDENTIFIED FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY		
Proposed Review	Status	
Safeguarding of Adults in their own homes (with Healthwatch and CQC)	Feasibility Work commenced. Review Group will met on 7 th September.	
GP and Out of Hours Services	Feasibility Study work commenced.	
Children and Mental Health Service	Feasibility Study yet to commence.	
REVIEWS IN PROGRESS		
Review	Meetings	Comment
NHS Midlands and East Stroke Services Review	4/9/12	On-going for information for the Review Group Members - will meet when required.
Safeguarding arrangements for Children		Report finalised
REVIEWS COMPLETED AND AWAITING RESPONSE FROM THE EXECUTIVE		
Review	Comment	
There are currently no reviews in this section.	Children Safeguarding in Herefordshire	
REVIEWS COMPLETED AND SUBJECT TO MONITORING OF THE EXECUTIVE ACTION PLAN		
Review	Comment	
Safeguarding Adults in Herefordshire	Executive response to review reported to OSC 4 July. Six month monitoring of Executive action plan programmed for January 2013.	

Executive Rolling Programme: January 2013

Final Decision Maker	Meeting / Decision Date	Issue Type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEY • Budget & Policy Framework Item (B&PF) • Non Key 	Report Title	Purpose	Directorate and Lead Officer
Council	4/1/13	N/A	Boundary Commission		Corporate Services / John Jones
Cabinet	17/1/13	B&PF	Medium Term Financial Strategy 2013/2016	To set the overall financial framework for the next three years and advise on the future funding environment	Corporate Services / David Powell
Cabinet	17/1/13	KEY	Public Health Transition Plan	To update the Cabinet on the Public Health Transition and agree the commissioning intentions and re-procurement prioritisation	Director for Public Health / Alan Holmes
Cabinet	17/1/13	KEY	Local Transport Plan	To agree the new Local Transport Plan in advance of formal adoption by Council in March	Places and Communities / Richard Ball
Cabinet	17/1/13	KEY	Hereford Enterprise Zone Governance Arrangements	To approve the proposed governance arrangements for the Hereford Enterprise Zone and to highlight the responsibilities that would be invested in any incorporated delivery vehicle	Places and Communities / Nick Webster
Cabinet	17/1/13	KEY	Hereford Enterprise Zone Budget Arrangements	To consider and approve the establishment of specific revenue and capital budgets to facilitate the delivery of the Hereford Enterprise Zone	Places and Communities / Nick Webster
Cabinet	17/1/13	Non Key	Petition - charges on Etnam Street car park, Leominster	To debate a petition received in respect of the introduction of charges on Etnam Street car park, Leominster	Places and Communities / Richard Gabb / Shane Hancock
Cabinet	17/1/13	Non Key	Budget Monitoring Report	To report the financial position for both Revenue and Capital.	Corporate Services / David Powell
Cabinet	17/1/13	Non Key	Major Scheme Funding	Major Scheme Funding Devolution and the establishment of the Local Transport Body across Herefordshire, Shropshire and Telford local authorities	Places and Communities / Steve Burgess
Audit & Governance Committee	18/1/13	N/A	Audit and Governance Procedure for dealing with Standards complaints		
Audit & Governance Committee	18/1/13	N/A	Internal Audit Progress Report		
Audit & Governance Committee	18/1/13	N/A	Procurement Report		

Scrutiny Items – January 2013

GENERAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS			
MEETING/ BRIEFNG DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE	O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Cabinet Council
14 January 2013	Medium Term Financial Strategy	To receive a presentation on the Medium Term Financial Strategy and consider the report to Cabinet and make recommendations to Cabinet	Cabinet Council 17 Jan 13 18 Feb 13

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS			
MEETING/ BRIEFNG DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE	O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Cabinet Council
11 January 2013	Discussion with: Clinical Commissioning Group NHS West Mercia Cluster	Content of future updates to ensure they present clear picture of service delivery; with performance information in advance of the meeting. Cluster performance data to be monitored quarterly. Committee to assess the impact on population.	
11 January 2013	Recovery Plan for Children Safeguarding	To receive a progress report on the Action Plan.	

Executive Rolling Programme: February 2013

Final Decision Maker	Meeting / Decision Date	Issue Type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEY • Budget & Policy Framework Item (B&PF) • Non Key 	Report Title	Purpose	Directorate and Lead Officer
Council	18/2/13	B&PF	Medium Term Financial Strategy including Pay Policy Statement	To receive the recommendations of Cabinet held on 17 January 2013 to approve the draft financial strategy for 2013/14 to 2014/15 that includes the 2013/14 budget.	
Audit & Governance Committee	19/2/13	N/A			
Cabinet	21/2/13	Non Key	Quarterly Integrated Corporate Performance Report	Third Quarter Report	Corporate Services / Jenny Lewis
Cabinet	21/2/13	Non Key	Budget Monitoring Report	To report the financial position for both Revenue and Capital.	Corporate Services / David Powell

Scrutiny Items – February 2013

GENERAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFING DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
11 February 2013	LDF Core Strategy	To consider the Core Strategy process and make recommendations to Cabinet
11 February 2013	Annual consideration of the Community Safety Strategy	To consider and comment on the Community Safety Strategy (Scrutiny is obliged to consider community safety issues at least once per year).

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFING DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
7 February 2013	Health & Wellbeing Board – governance and operation	To receive a report on the Health & Wellbeing Board prior to the Board becoming formally constituted on 1 April 2013
7 February 2013	Governance of Health Watch	To receive a report on the Governance of Health Watch
7 February 2013	Executive Responses to Task and Finish Review - Safeguarding of Children	To receive the Executive response to the Task & Finish Review into Safeguarding of Children and to consider the Executive's Action Plan.

Executive Rolling Programme: March 2013

Final Decision Maker	Meeting / Decision Date	Issue Type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEY • Budget & Policy Framework Item (B&PF) • Non Key 	Report Title	Purpose	Directorate and Lead Officer
Council	8/3/13	B&PF	Council Tax Resolution	To calculate the Council's Council Tax Requirement and set the Council Tax amounts for each category of dwelling in Herefordshire for 2013/14.	Corporate Services / David Powell
Council	8/3/13		Annual Pay Policy Statement	To approve a pay policy statement for the authority.	Corporate Services / David Powell
Council	8/3/13	N/A	Leader's Report	To receive the Leader's report, which provides an overview of the Executive's activity since the last Council meeting.	Corporate Services /
Council	8/3/13	N/A	Audit and Governance Committee Report including Standards Panel Report		Corporate Services
Council	8/3/13	N/A	Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Authority Report and Local Transport Plan		External Report
Council	8/3/13	B&PF			Places and Communities / Richard Ball
Cabinet	14/3/13	Non Key	Response to Local Government Boundary Commission Wording Proposals		Corporate Services / Head of Governance
Cabinet	14/3/13	KEY	Public Health Annual Report	To receive the annual Public Health Report	Director of Public Health
Cabinet	14/3/13	B&PF	Corporate Plan	To approve the Corporate Plan for 2013/14	Corporate Services / Jenny Lewis
Cabinet	14/3/13	Non Key	Budget Monitoring Report	To report the financial position for both Revenue and Capital.	Corporate Services / David Powell
Audit & Governance Committee	15/3/13	N/A	Internal Audit Progress Report		Corporate Services / David Powell
Audit & Governance Committee	15/3/13	N/A	Counter-fraud and Corruption Policies – Biennial Review		Corporate Services / David Powell
Audit & Governance Committee	15/3/13	N/A	Review of Complaints Policy		Corporate Services / David Powell
Audit & Governance	15/3/13	N/A	Biannual forecasts of revenue		Corporate Services /

Final Decision Maker	Meeting / Decision Date	Issue Type:	Report Title	Purpose	Directorate and Lead Officer
Committee		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEY • Budget & Policy Framework Item (B&PF) • Non Key 	and capital outturn		David Powell
Audit & Governance Committee	15/3/13	N/A	Review of Audit and Governance Terms of Reference and Effectiveness		Corporate Services / David Powell
Audit & Governance Committee	15/3/13	N/A	Whistle-blowing policy – biennial review		Corporate Services / David Powell

Scrutiny Items – March 2013

GENERAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFING DATE	ITEM	O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Meeting Date Cabinet Council
4 March 2013		

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFING DATE	ITEM	O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Meeting Date Cabinet Council
22 March 2013	2gether NHS Trust	
22 March 2013	West Midlands Ambulance NHS Trust	
22 March 2013	Strategic Plan for Delivering Adult Services	

Executive Rolling Programme: April 2013

Final Decision Maker	Meeting / Decision Date	Issue Type:	Report Title	Purpose	Directorate and Lead Officer
Audit & Governance Committee	16/4/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEY • Budget & Policy Framework Item (B&PF) • Non Key 			
Cabinet	18/4/13	KEY	Root and Branch Review	Phase 1 Implementation and Phase 2 and 3 Proposals	Corporate Services / Donna Etherton
Cabinet	18/4/13	Non Key	Budget Monitoring Report	To report the financial position for both Revenue and Capital.	Corporate Services / David Powell
Cabinet Member Corporate Services & Cabinet Member Enterprise & Culture	April 2013 (TBC)	KEY	Buttermarket Refurbishment	To establish if and how the Council wishes to fund the refurbishment of the Buttermarket and to clearly set out the options available in managing the delivery of the project should it progress	Places and Communities / Chris Jenner

Scrutiny Items – April 2013

GENERAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFNG DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
8 April 2013		
		O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Cabinet Council

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFNG DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
12 April 2013	Wye Valley NHS Trust; Clinical Commissioning Group; and NHS West Mercia Cluster.	To provide a report on the Trust's Annual Plan for 2013/14. Content of future updates to ensure they present clear picture of service delivery; with performance information to be provided in advance of the meeting and with each meeting to have a particular purpose. (May 12) Cluster performance data to be monitored quarterly. Committee to assess the impact on population. (July 12)
12 April 2013	Stroke Services	To receive an update.
		O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Cabinet Council

Executive Rolling Programme: May 2013

Final Decision Maker	Meeting / Decision Date	Issue Type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEY • Budget & Policy Framework Item (B&PF) • Non Key 	Report Title	Purpose	Directorate and Lead Officer
Audit & Governance Committee	13/5/13	N/A			
Cabinet	16/5/13	Non Key	Quarterly Integrated Corporate Performance Report		Corporate Services / David Powell
Cabinet	16/5/13	Non Key	Budget Monitoring Report	To report the financial position for both Revenue and Capital.	Corporate Services / David Powell
Council	24/5/13	N/A	Annual Report on Executive Decisions	To monitor the operation of the provisions relating to call-in and urgency	Corporate Services / Monitoring Officer
Council	24/5/13	N/A	Leader's Report	To receive the Leader's report, which provides an overview of the Executive's activity since the last Council meeting.	Corporate Services
Council	24/5/13	N/A	Audit & Governance Report including Report of Standards Panel		Corporate Services
Council	24/5/13	N/A	Annual Report – General Overview and Scrutiny Committee		Corporate Services
Council	24/5/13	N/A	Annual Report – Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee		Corporate Services
Council	24/5/13	N/A	Annual Report – Planning Committee		Corporate Services
Council	24/5/13	N/A	Annual Report – Regulatory Committee		Corporate Services

Scrutiny Items – May 2013

GENERAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
13 May 2013		
		O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: Meeting Date
HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
2 May 2013		
		O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: Meeting Date

Executive Rolling Programme: June 2013

Final Decision Maker	Meeting / Decision Date	Issue Type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEY • Budget & Policy Framework Item (B&PF) • Non Key 	Report Title	Purpose	Directorate and Lead Officer
Cabinet		Non Key	Housing Allocations Adoption Policy	The Housing Allocation Policy describes the criteria that Herefordshire Council uses to prioritise affordable housing for those with a housing need. The Local Authority is using powers under the Localism Act 2011 which gives increased flexibility to review its policy to enable them to manage their housing registers which better reflects local demand, whilst still protecting the most vulnerable.	Places and Communities / Richard Gabb
Cabinet		Non Key	Budget Monitoring Report	To report the financial position for both Revenue and Capital.	Corporate Services / David Powell

Scrutiny Items – June 2013

GENERAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFNG DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
		O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Cabinet Council

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ITEMS		
MEETING/ BRIEFNG DATE	ITEM	PURPOSE
		O&SC PRE-DECISION PRIOR TO: A&G Committee Cabinet Council