Task and Finish Reviews - Progress Report

Health and Social Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee

REVIEWS IDENTIFIED FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY		
Proposed Review	Status	
Accident and Emergency Department at Wye Valley Trust	The Chairman has requested that a feasibility study is undertaken into a review of the accident and emergency department at Hereford County Hospital. Feasibility shall be undertaken by the end of November 2013.	
Leisure Services for children within Herefordshire	This topic was suggested by a Member of Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee in October 2013. Initial discussions are underway and a feasibility study shall be undertaken by December 2013.	
Budget Task and Finish Group	As adult social care is the significant overspend within the budget then a joint scrutiny task and finish group shall convene in November-December 2013 to identify the risks and pressures prior to a joint scrutiny committee in late January.	
Children Who Go Missing From Care	Feasibility Study completed during scrutiny training event. Scoping to be confirmed by December 2013	
Next Stage Integration – 2gether Trust	Further to the task and finish group into next stage integration of Wye Valley Trust, the group shall reconvene to review the arrangements for integration of 2gether NHS Foundation Trust.	
Oral Health Promotion	Currently undergoing feasibility study, group to commence in January.	

REVIEWS IN PROGRESS	
Review	Comment
Open Book Review	The task and finish group was set up in August 2013. In line with the Committee's recommendation, further consultation is underway with the relevant department and nursing and residential care providers. The task and finish group shall reconvene after the consultation takes place. It is envisaged that this will be around December time.
Access to out of hours Services	Feasibility study and scoping statement completed. However, due to work currently being undertaken by Herefordshire Clinical Commissioning Group, the task and finish group shall wait until this work has been completed before commencing the review.

Together with committee meetings and task and finish groups, other matters are being dealt with by the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee through briefing notes. Once these briefing notes are distributed, Members are given the opportunity to feedback or ask relevant questions from officers. If, after the questions and answers, Members are concerned about specifics from within these areas then a feasibility study shall be undertaken to determine the most appropriate next steps for dealing with the matter.

The topics identified for this process are:

- Public Health-health checks
- National Child Measurement Programme
- Alcohol service charges
- 6 month review of Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub
- 3 monthly updates on Care and Support Bill