

**Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
15 February 2012**

**Older Adults Mental Health Task and Finish Group
Update Report**

Recommendation

That the Adult Social Care & Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee agrees one of the following options and makes it's recommendation to the Overview and Scrutiny Board:

1. The Task and Finish Group be put on hold until the 'Refocusing Dementia Services' consultation begins.
2. The Task and Finish Group be kept in place, but the Committee agrees a different remit for the work of the group.
3. The Task and Finish Group be dissolved.

1.0 Key Issues

- 1.1 At a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board held on the 10th of March 2011, a Task and Finish Group was commissioned to scrutinise a consultation planned by the Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust regarding proposed changes to older adults mental health services in Warwickshire. The group was set up as part of the statutory role of the Adult Social Care & Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider NHS consultations.
- 1.2 When the Task and Finish Group was originally commissioned, the consultation was scheduled to begin in April 2011 and last for 12 weeks. Since that time the consultation suffered a number of delays and reconfigurations.
- 1.3 Councillor Jerry Roodhouse participated in a Department of Health Gateway Review of the proposed changes to older people's mental health services on the 19th of October 2011 at St Michael's Hospital in Warwick. The purpose of the review was to test the process and case for change before the Partnership Trust embarked on the formal public consultation exercise.
- 1.4 Following the Gateway Review the Task and Finish Group was informed that the consultation had been revised and would be retitled 'Refocusing Dementia Services in Warwickshire'.

1.5 In a meeting with Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust colleagues held on the 15th November 2011 the group was told that the consultation would begin in early January 2012. At the time of writing (1st February 2012), the consultation has yet to begin and no start date has been provided by the Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust.

1.6 Until there is a clear start date for public consultation, the resources of the Task and Finish Group could be better allocated to other areas.

3.0 Background Papers

None.

4.0 Appendices

The original scrutiny review outline is attached as Appendix A.

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Proposed Scrutiny Review Outline

Review Topic (Name of review)	Older Adults Mental Health Services
Panel/Working Group etc – Members	Cllr Peter Fowler Cllr Jerry Roodhouse (Chair) Cllr Sid Tooth
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Relevant Portfolio Holder(s)	Cllr Bob Stevens –Portfolio Holder for Health Cllr Izzi Seccombe – Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care
Relevant Corporate Ambition, Outcome and Measures	Ambition – Care and Independence Outcome – Warwickshire’s residents have more choice and control - Warwickshire’s vulnerable residents are supported at home
Timing Issues	Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust (CWPT) are planning to undertake a consultation regarding older adult mental health services. The consultation will last 12 weeks and is likely to commence during April. The Task and Finish Group will need to conduct the review and report their recommendations within this 12 week period.
Type of Review	Task and Finish Group
Resource Estimate	A provisional estimate of scrutiny officer support is between 50 to 60 hours or 8-10 days depending on the actual methodology used by the review. This assumes 4 meetings with members i.e. to plan the review, 2 evidence sessions and a final meeting to review the evidence and develop the recommendations. Time estimates do not include any site visits or best practice visits but do include arrangements for meetings, research time, liaison and contact with witnesses and write up of evidence and the final report.
Rationale (Key issues and/or reason for doing the review)	This is part of the statutory role of Health Scrutiny to consider NHS consultations. There are currently four day services in Warwickshire, they are Mira and Kingsbury in North Warwickshire and Loxley and Woodloes in South Warwickshire. There is an Acute Day Service in Rugby, called the Community Assessment Intensive Treatment Service. This replaced the traditional Day Service delivered out of the Rugby St Cross site, The CAITT model is the model that Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust and NHS Warwickshire wish to see delivered across all of Warwickshire. The consultation will propose to close the traditional days services in Warwickshire and re-provide the CAITT model provision across Warwickshire. Additionally, CWPT will assess the need for its current inpatient provision. It will consider closing Loxley Inpatient service in Stratford (14 beds) and Woodloes Inpatient service in Warwick (25 beds). Inpatient provision will then be centred at St Michaels Hospital in Warwick (20 beds). This will be a 1-3 year graduated plan, releasing beds as the CAITT provision develops.

<p>Objectives of Review (Specify exactly what the review should achieve)</p>	<p>The objective of this review will to be consider:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the consultation process undertaken by NHS Warwickshire, • the options proposed and how they will meet the needs of local community, • the risk assessments undertaken on the proposals being considered • whether the proposals will meet equality & diversity needs of the population • the outcome of the consultation and how consultation process has informed the decision of NHS Warwickshire
<p>Scope of the Topic (What is specifically to be included/excluded)</p>	<p><u>Include</u> The following is included in the scope of the review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CWPT consultation process regarding older adult mental health services <p><u>Excluded</u> The following falls outside the scope of the review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decisions surrounding Hawthorne Ward
<p>Indicators of Success – Outputs (What factors would tell you what a good review should look like?)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations accepted and implemented to deliver improvements
<p>Indicators of Success – Outcomes (What are the potential outcomes of the review e.g. service improvements, policy change, etc?)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate and sustainable older adults mental health services that meet the current and future needs of Warwickshire’s residents • Demonstrable improvements in patient access and experience • Increased numbers of individuals supported at home
<p>Other Work Being Undertaken (What other work is currently being undertaken in relation to this topic, and any appropriate timescales and deadlines for that work)</p>	