HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE 25th November 2026

REPORT OF Joanne Robinson – Statutory Scrutiny Officer

SUBJECT Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel - Work Programme

STATUS Open

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIM

The scrutiny panels act as a reviewing mechanism for decisions made relating to the strategic policy, performance and resources required to deliver the ambitions of the Council and its key partnerships. The aim of the scrutiny process is to make sure decision making is robust by providing constructive challenge. This contributes to the Council being effective and efficient, and therefore it is integral to the delivery of the Council Priorities.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report reflects on the bi-annual review of the 2026/27 work undertaken by the Health and Adult Social Care and provides a formal opportunity for the panel to update its work programme as it considers appropriate.

MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

The panel is asked to consider progress made to date with its work programme and update it if it is felt that items need to be re-prioritised, removed or added.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

This report and its appendix summarise the 2026/27 agreed work programme and the panel's timetable of activities to undertake this work.

The panel may also consider any topics it wishes to retain, postpone or add to this or next year's work programme as the work programme remains flexible. It is good practise to keep the work programme under review and the half-year stage seems an appropriate time to do so.

The panel may wish to comment on achievements to date, mindful of the Annual Scrutiny Report that will be submitted to the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2026.

2. RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include risk assessment(s) by the author(s) concerned.

3. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

The work programme demonstrates the breadth of matters considered by scrutiny

4. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations included within this report.

5. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no impacts on climate change and the environment as a direct result of this report. Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include climate change and environmental implications by the author(s) concerned.

6. PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH INEQUALITIES AND MARMOT IMPLICATIONS

North East Lincolnshire Council has committed to becoming a Marmot Place and to embedding the Marmot Principles across policy development, service delivery and decision-making. Whilst this report relates to the scrutiny work programme, scrutiny activity plays an important role in supporting the Council's ambition to reduce health inequalities by considering how policies, services and decisions may impact on the wider determinants of health. Through its review and challenge function, the panel can help ensure that recommendations contribute to creating fairer, healthier and more equitable outcomes for residents across North East Lincolnshire.

7. MONITORING COMMENTS

In the opinion of the author, this report does not contain recommended changes to policy or resources (people, finance or physical assets). As a result, no monitoring comments have been sought from the Council's Monitoring Officer (Chief Legal Officer), Section 151 Officer (Director of Finance) or Strategic Workforce Lead.

8. WARD IMPLICATIONS

May impact on all wards

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Annual report of scrutiny 2025/26
Panel tracking reports
Panel work programme

10. CONTACT OFFICER(S)

Helen Johnson - Scrutiny and Committee Advisor

JOANNE ROBINSON
STATUTORY SCRUTINY OFFICER

PROPOSAL FOR AGENDA ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel 2026/27

AGENDA ITEMS	29th July 4.30pm	30th September 4:30pm	25th November 4:30pm	27th January 4:30pm	17th March 4:30pm
THEME:					
STANDING / GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS:-	• Reablement • Strengths based practise • Teenage Pregnancy Rates **Standing Items:** Work Programme 2026/27 to be agreed. 2025/26 Council Plan Year End Performance and Provisional Financial Outturn Report Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Marmot Place	• Marmot Place Principles • Council Tax Discounts (briefing note/update) • Section 75 Arrangements (T) **Standing Items:** Q1 Finance Monitoring and Council Plan Report Adult Services Annual Complaints Report inc Ombudsman Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Marmot Place	• Marmot Place launch • Food Health Action Plan • Neighbourhoods • Public Health Grant • General Diagnostic Performance **Standing Items:** Q2 Finance Monitoring and Council Plan Report Work Programme Update 2026/27 Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Marmot Place	• Adult Social Care Review • CQC Action Plan (T) • JHOSC- Special Measures- NLAG • Health Boundaries TBC • Transformation programme Update • Council Plan Refresh • NHS Continuing Healthcare and s117 aftercare. **Standing Items:** Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report (Moved from September meeting) Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Marmot Place	• Oral Health- procurement and oral health improvement • Dental commissioning Update • Neighbourhoods • 10 Year Plan- NHS • Digital Inclusion **Standing Items:** Q3 Council Plan and Finance Monitoring Report Work Programme 2026/27 inc. items for the next municipal year

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Agenda items to be added – 2026/2027 municipal year:

- Termination of the specialist reactive cleaning teams at DPOW, SGH, and GDH
- The panel agreed at its meeting on the 30th July 2025 to focus during the next municipal year on reducing the teenage pregnancy rates and look at where the panel could make a difference. - **All Member briefing Jan 2027**
- Any items from the Health and Social Care Scrutiny panel tracker- **All included in plan**

Items to be considered from Annual Report

- Teenage Pregnancy- **All member briefing scheduled for Jan 2027**
- General Diagnostics – **Ongoing- November meeting.**
- Marmot - **Standing item**
- Section 75 Arrangements - **September meeting**
- Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust Special Measures oversight- **Joint meeting with ER, NL, HULL and NEL set up for 21st Oct to be fed back to the panel November meeting**

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- Food Health Action Plan (18th July 2024 - That the Food Poverty Action Plan be produced as part of the work of the Health and Well Being Board and for this to be considered, in due course, by the Communities and Health Scrutiny Panels). - **November 2026 meeting**
- Council tax relief for the terminally ill (19th February 2026 Budget Amendment – development of a framework for a scheme for terminally ill residents, looking at the period for relief and seeking public consultation from the public and local charitable agencies involved in terminal illness). **September 2026 Report**

Briefing Papers:

- Oral Health Update (T) – **March Meeting**
- Dental Commissioning Update (T) - **March Meeting**

Joint meetings:

- To examine the wider implications of physical activity and health linking to the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Professor Marmots work. ECT **TBC**
- Domestic Abuse – Communities **TBC**
- 0-19 agenda – transition from children to adults – Children and Lifelong Learning **TBC**