

Agenda Item:

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# Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee

**Dorset County Council**



Date of Meeting	13 September 2013
Officer	Director for Adult and Community Services
Subject of Report	<b>Adult Mental Health Urgent Care Services - Update</b>
Executive Summary	<p>At the last meeting of the Committee Members discussed a number of matters pertaining to mental health care services provided by Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust.</p> <p>The Committee made the following resolution at that meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) noted with alarm the situation regarding the provision of critical mental health care in Bridport and Sherborne;</li><li>(ii) censured Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust for its failure to keep the promises made to the Committee; and</li><li>(iii) seek a full explanation from the responsible officer of the Trust as to the problems and the most suitable solution.</li></ul> <p>A letter was sent to the Chief Executive of the Trust on 15 July 2013 in this regard (Appendix 1) and a response was duly received on 7 August 2013 (Appendix 2). The Chief Executive of Dorset HealthCare Trust will be attending the meeting.</p> <p>A report is also attached (Appendix 3) that provides an update on Adult Mental Health Urgent Care Services in the west of Dorset. This report has been prepared jointly by NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group (the service commissioners) and Dorset HealthCare Trust (the service providers).</p>

Impact Assessment	<u>Equalities Impact Assessment</u> NHS responsibility
	<u>Use of Evidence</u> Letters from staff within Dorset County Council and Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust. Report provided by NHS Clinical Commissioning Group and Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust.
	<u>Budget</u> NHS report.
	<u>Risk Assessment</u> None to County Council – NHS Report.
	<u>Other Implications:</u> None.
Recommendation	That the Committee scrutinises and comments on the report.
Reason for Recommendation	The work of the Committee contributes to the County Council's aim to protect and enrich the health and well-being of Dorset's most vulnerable adults and children.
Appendices	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Letter from Health Partnerships Officer at Dorset County Council dated 15 July 2013.</li> <li>2. Response from Chief Executive at Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust Report from Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust dated 7 August 2013.</li> <li>3. Report from NHS Clinical Commissioning Group and Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust – Adult Mental Health Urgent Care Services</li> </ol>
Background Papers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Report by Director for Adult and Community Services to Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee, 30 May 2013 - Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust - Care Quality Commission Visits and Reports Update and Implementation of Changes to Adult Mental Health Urgent Care Services in the West of Dorset</li> </ol>
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