## People and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

## **Dorset County Council**



Date of Meeting	4 July 2018		
Officer	Senior Democratic Services Officer		
Subject of Report	Mental Health Review Responses		
Executive Summary	A member lead enquiry day into mental health in Dorset was carried out on 13 December 2017.		
	The day was well attended with a mix of people with lived experience, their carers and wider community and statutory stakeholders.		
	The major element of the day was group work to explore key areas of support and service provision and identify key gaps, constraints and possible solutions. The outcome of the day was to identify areas of work which were drafted into a delivery plan.		
	The delivery plan was considered by the Committee on 21 March 2018 when it was agreed that it would be sent to appropriate organisations for consideration. The Delivery Plan is attached.		
	Since then, organisations have been contacted to establish their response to the Delivery Plan. Responses are attached in Appendix 2.		
Impact Assessment:  Please refer to the protocol for writing reports.	Equalities Impact Assessment: The completion of the equality quality impact assessment will form part of the project plan development to inform and support key lines or enquiry and activity.		

	Use of Evidence: Formal consultation event.	
	Budget:	
	Within existing commissioning and operational budgets of the Clinical Commissioning Group and Dorset County Council	
	Risk Assessment:	
	To be completed once formal delivery plans in place.	
	Outcomes: Mental Health is primarily considered within the <b>Healthy</b> outcome of the 2017-19 corporate plan. However, it carries clear implications for other outcomes. In particular, mental ill-health has an impact on the ability of people to lead <b>Independent</b> lives - interventions to improve outcomes for people with mental health problems need to prioritise supporting them to exercise greater control and choice over their lives and live as independently as possible. Mental health also has implications for the safeguarding of both children and adults, and as such it is an element of the <b>Safe</b> corporate outcome.	
	Other Implications:	
	The work will seek to engage with:	
	<ul> <li>The voluntary and community sector to support early help</li> <li>Advocacy groups to keep the voice of the user at the centre of the work</li> <li>Statutory agencies to ensure a joined-up approach to delivery and best use of available resources</li> </ul>	
Recommendation	The Committee is asked to consider the responses received and consider whether any further action is needed.	
Reason for Recommendation	Members of the People and Communities Committee and Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee requested that work be carried out to further understand the needs of mental health services users and their carers in the communities of Dorset, ensuring that Dorset County Council can fulfil its commitments under the four key outcomes:	
Appendices	Appendix 1 - Report to the meeting on 21 March 2018 Appendix 2 - Responses from the Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group and Dorset Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	
Background Papers	None	

## Mental Health Review Responses

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