

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Report**

Committee/Panel:	Health and Wellbeing Board
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Title:	Mental Health recommendations and referrals from Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee
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1. Summary

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to highlight recommendations and referrals made to the Health and Wellbeing Board by the Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee, for consideration in conjunction with the other Mental Health reports (on the seminar and the concordat).

2. Contextual information

- 2.1. On 2 May 2014 the then Chairman of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee wrote to the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board at the time, to refer to the Board the scrutiny committee's findings regarding demand for acute adult mental health inpatient beds (letter attached). At the time, the Chairman of the Board responded to indicate that the Board would be considering mental health provision at a seminar due to take place in the Autumn of 2014.
- 2.2. The provider of Adult Mental Health services in Hampshire, Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust, has since provided a briefing note (in December 2014) giving an update on the issue of inpatient demand, being experienced across the country, and local responses. This is attached, and has also been circulated to Members of the scrutiny committee.
- 2.3. Later in May 2014 the health scrutiny role at the County Council passed from the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to the Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee (HASC). In July, this committee considered the findings of a piece of work initiated by its predecessor committee regarding use of section 136 of the Mental Health Act 1983 in Hampshire. The HASC made a number of recommendations regarding use of section 136, including to the Health and Wellbeing Board (see second letter attached).

3. Conclusion

- 3.1. As part of its consideration of the next steps following the Mental Health Seminar held in October, and the work taking place on the local delivery of the Mental Health Crisis Concordat, the Board is invited to take account of the points raised by the HASC.
- 3.2. For the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board to write to the Chairman of the HASC to provide an update on the aspects raised in their recommendations and any action due to be taken by the Board.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equality Duty

1.1. The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- a) The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant characteristic connected to that characteristic;
- b) Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- c) Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

1.2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

This report simply provides information. If actions are due to be taken as a result of the combined mental health items, any impact will then be considered.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

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3. Climate Change:

a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

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- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

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