

REPORT OF THE
Executive Member for Adult Social Care
PART II

262. THE COMMISSIONING OF MENTAL HEALTH WELLBEING CENTRES

1. At her meeting on 21 September 2016, the Executive Member for Adult Social Care gave approval for £10 million in order to procure Wellbeing Centres across Hampshire for up to five years, on a three years plus one plus one basis (3+1+1), with contracts commencing from 1 September 2017.

2. Current contracts for Wellbeing Centres are due to expire on 31 August 2017, and the procurement process will extend the delivery of these services from September 2017.

3. As well as supporting people with more serious mental health conditions who are supported by their local Mental Health Team, Wellbeing Centres also have a preventative role through providing support to people who self refer due to their own mental ill health or who are referred by their local GP. Wellbeing Centres have demonstrated that they prevent the need for more costly interventions from Health and Social care agencies, and support individuals through assessments that work in a strengths based approach.

263. SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES GRANT AWARD

1. At her meeting on 21 September 2016, the Executive Member for Adult Social Care approved the award of a grant for £113,500 to Community First as part of the Adult Services Partnership Grant – Information and Advice Grant from 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017. Approval for a grant of £85,515 was also given to Solent Mind as part of the Community Connectors Grant from 1 October 2016 to 31 March 2018.

2. The aim of the Supportive Communities Programme is to reduce, delay and/or divert demand on Adult Services by increasing community self sufficiency and people's independence.

3. The Information and Advice Grant is a grant stream to provide funding to holistically deliver information and advice services to people over the age of 18. Community First will work with other organisations that will work together across Hampshire to harness local community action to enable people to use or develop their own skills. People will also be able to access information and advice that enables people to take more control of their own wellbeing and lifestyle choices. The Community Connectors Grant will provide funding to organisations that can develop a new and innovative way to support communities to become better connected.

Further details can be found at www.hants.gov.uk/councilmeetings.htm
by typing in the relevant reference number:

- The Commissioning of Mental Health Wellbeing Centres (search item reference 7714)
- Supportive Communities Grant Award (search item reference 7719)

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