

Item 7: Emotional Wellbeing Strategy for Children, Young People and Young Adults

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Subject: Emotional Wellbeing Strategy for Children, Young People and Young Adults

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Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided on the Emotional Wellbeing Strategy for Children, Young People and Young Adults and to determine whether the NHS commissioned aspect of the new service specification constitutes a substantial variation of service.

It provides additional background information which may prove useful to Members.

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## 1. Introduction

- (a) The Committee has considered reports on emotional wellbeing and mental health services for children and young people in Kent on 31 January 2014, 11 April 2014, 6 June 2014, 10 October 2014, 6 June 2015, 4 September 2015, 9 October 2015 and 29 January 2016.
- (b) On 29 January 2016, the Committee agreed the following recommendation:
  - *RESOLVED that:*
    - (a) *members of the HOSC participate in a working group chaired by Graham Gibbens, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health to look at the Universal & Targeted Emotional Health & Wellbeing Specification and the Children & Young People's Mental Health Specification in more detail.*
    - (b) *the Committee defer making a determination on whether the NHS service specification is a substantial variation of service and whether it is happy to support the procurement on 4 March 2016.*

## 2. Potential Substantial Variation of Service

- (a) It is for the Committee to determine if the NHS commissioned aspect of the new service specification constitutes a substantial variation of service – the Draft Children & Young People's Mental Health Specification.
- (b) Where the HOSC deems the NHS commissioned aspect of the new service specification as not being substantial, this shall not prevent the HOSC from reviewing the proposed change at its discretion and making reports and recommendations to NHS West Kent CCG.

- (c) Where the HOSC determines the NHS commissioned aspect of the new service specification as substantial, a timetable for consideration of the change will need to be agreed between the HOSC and NHS West Kent CCG after the meeting. The timetable shall include the proposed date that NHS West Kent CCG intends to make a decision as to whether to proceed with the proposal and the date by which the HOSC will provide any comments on the proposal.

### **3. Recommendation**

If the NHS commissioned aspect of the new service specification is **not substantial**:

RECOMMENDED that:

- (a) the Committee does not deem the new service specification in relation to the NHS commissioned aspect to be a substantial variation of service.
- (b) NHS West Kent CCG be invited to submit a report to the Committee in six months.

If the NHS commissioned aspect of the new service specification is **substantial** and the Committee does support the procurement of the service specification:

RECOMMENDED that:

- (a) the Committee deems the new service specification in relation to the NHS commissioned aspect to be a substantial variation of service;
- (b) the Committee supports the procurement of the new service specification;
- (c) NHS West Kent CCG be invited to attend a meeting of the Committee in three months.

If the NHS commissioned aspect of the new service specification is **substantial** and the Committee **does not support** the procurement of the new service specification:

RECOMMENDED that:

- (a) the Committee deems the new service specification in relation to the NHS commissioned aspect to be a substantial variation of service;
- (b) the Committee does not support the procurement of the new service specification for the following reasons [to be inserted during the meeting];
- (c) NHS West Kent CCG be requested to respond to the Committee's recommendation in writing and attend an extraordinary meeting of the Committee.

## **Background Documents**

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