

# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

<b>DECISION TAKEN BY</b>
Graham Gibbens, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health

<b>DECISION NO.</b>
TBC

*If decision is likely to disclose exempt information please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972*

**Subject:** MENTAL HEALTH CORE OFFER

**Decision:**  
 As Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health, I:  
 AGREE to fund the Mental Health Core Offer services by grant funding for 2015/16 as set out in the recommendation report  
 AGREE to the development of a Mental Health Core Offer - Primary Care & Wellbeing Service, with contracts to commence from the 1 April 2016.  
 DELEGATE the authority to the Corporate Director, Social Care Health and Wellbeing, or other suitable officer, to undertake such actions as necessary to implement this decision.

**Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken** None expected

**Reason(s) for decision, including alternatives considered and any additional information**  
 The Care Act 2014 makes it a requirement for the council to deliver early intervention and preventative services for adults with mental health needs. The move from grant funding to contracts will ensure that there will be:

- Consistent set of expected outcomes for services
- Greater emphasis on promoting recovery and integration back into people’s communities
- Greater transparency of the allocation of funding with distribution being based upon need and will be awarded using a competitive process
- Improved transition between services

All of which will lead to improved outcomes for individuals.

**Background Documents:**  
 There will be a recommendation report from Corporate Director to the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health

**Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**  
 Will be discussed at the 15 January 2015 Adult Social Care & Health Cabinet Committee.

**Any alternatives considered:**  
 The alternative is to maintain the current arrangement for awarding annual grants.

**Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:** None expected

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Decision Referred to Cabinet Scrutiny			
YES		NO	

Cabinet Scrutiny Decision to Refer Back for Reconsideration			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration Record Sheet Issued			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration of Decision Published			

