

SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

DATE: 16TH MAY 2016

SUBJECT:

TOGETHER FOR MENTAL HEALTH : ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 2014/15

Purpose:

That members of the Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee appraise the most recent Annual Report for the Hywel Dda region in respect of delivery on key objectives of the Mental Health Strategy.

To consider and comment on the following issues:

To note progress in relation to the six agreed priority areas for our region and any implications for the Council.

REASONS:

As a partner organisation signed up to the production of an Annual Report on this subject matter, attendance and presentation at the Committee provides the opportunity for the Council to scrutinise developments and performance that pertain to Carmarthenshire.

To be referred to the Executive Board / Council for decision: NO

Executive Board Member Portfolio Holder:

Cllr. J. Tremlett (Social Care & Health Portfolio Holder)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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In October 2012, Welsh Government launched Together for Mental Health – A strategy for Mental Health & Wellbeing in Wales. Local Mental Health Partnership Boards were established based upon Health Board footprints and each local area produces its own Annual report which is submitted to Welsh Government. The Strategy is underpinned by a delivery plan, the second phase of which has recently been subject to public consultation. For the Hywel Dda region 6 high level priorities were agreed and progress against these in 2014/15 is captured in the attached report.

The 6 priority areas are:-

- To ensure that people of all ages are better informed about mental health and mental illness
- To ensure that services are based on a recovery and re-ablement approach
- To improve families/communities mental health and well-being
- To further reduce levels of suicide and self-harm
- To ensure that there is a concerted effort to reduce the stigma and discrimination faced by people with mental health problems
- To ensure that service users, their families and carers are involved in service development

The agenda item will allow Members to review progress in relation to local priorities and to ask questions of those presenting the item. Hywel Dda Health Board representatives Julie Denley (Assistant Director of Mental Health & Learning Disabilities) and Tom Alexander (Service Transformation and Partnerships Manager) will be accompanied by Mark Evans (Senior Manager, Carmarthenshire County Council).

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

YES – Hywel Dda Local Partnership Board Annual Report 2014/15
– Together for Mental Health

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: **Avril Bracey** Head of Mental Health & Learning Disabilities

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

CONSULTATION

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: **Avril Bracey** Head of Mental Health & Learning Disabilities

1. Local Member(s)

N/A

2. Community / Town Council

N/A

3. Relevant Partners

Hywel Dda Local Mental Health Partnership Board

4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

N/A

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THERE ARE NONE

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection