



Adults & Safeguarding Committee

31 July 2014

UNITAS ET CALL AND A REAL	
Title	Member's Item – Mental Health Charter
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
Status	Public
Enclosures	None
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Summary

The report informs the Adults & Safeguarding Committee of a Member's Item and requests instructions from the Committee.

Recommendations

1. That the Adults and Safeguarding Committee's instructions in relation to this Member's item are requested.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Councillor Barry Rawlings has requested that a Member's Item be considered on the following matter:
- 1.2 To ask that the committee establish a working group to develop a more coherent approach to mental health services including tackling the issue of discharging people with mental health issues into bed and breakfasts, the lack of community facilities and support in terms of assured housing and employment opportunities. The working group should take evidence from health partners, police, DWP, housing providers and voluntary organisations.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 No recommendations have been made. The Adults & Safeguarding Committee are therefore requested to give consideration and provide instruction.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Post decision implementation will depend on the decision taken by the Committee.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 As and when issues raised through a Member's Item are progressed, they will need to be evaluated against the Corporate Plan and other relevant policies.

5.2 **Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 The Council's Constitution Meeting Procedure Rules (section 6) illustrates that a Member, including appointed substitute Members of a Committee may have one item only on an agenda that he/she serves. Members items must be within the term of reference of the decision making body which will consider the item.
- 5.3.2 There are no legal references in the context of this report.

5.4 Risk Management

5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 Member's Items allow Members of a Committee to bring a wide range of issues to the attention of a Committee in accordance with the Council's Constitution. All of these issues must be considered for their equalities and diversity implications.

5.6 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 Email to Governance Officer, dated 8 July 2014.