



Adults & Safeguarding Committee

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Title	Member's Item – Mental Health Challenge
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 Reema Patel has requested that a Member's Item be considered on the following matter:

1.2 *To ask the Adults & Safeguarding Committee to take up the Mental Health Challenge which sets out ten actions that will enable councils to promote mental health across all of their business. Those ten actions are:*

- 1. Appoint an elected member as 'mental health champion' across the council*
- 2. Identify a lead officer for mental health to link in with colleagues across the council*
- 3. Follow the implementation framework for the mental health strategy where it is relevant to the council's work and local needs*
- 4. Work to reduce inequalities in mental health in our community*
- 5. Work with the NHS to integrate health and social care support*
- 6. Promote wellbeing and initiate and support action on public mental health for example through our joint health and wellbeing strategy*
- 7. Tackle discrimination on the grounds of mental health in our community*
- 8. Encourage positive mental health in our schools, colleges and workplaces*
- 9. Proactively engage and listen to people of all ages and backgrounds about what they need for better mental health*
- 10. Sign up to the [Time to Change pledge](#).*

Please could officers provide a briefing to the committee setting out what the council is currently doing towards each of these actions.

Details of the Mental Health Challenge can be found here:

<http://www.mentalhealthchallenge.org.uk/the-challenge/>

Details of the Time to Change pledge can be found here:

<http://www.time-to-change.org.uk/organisation-pledge-step-by-step>

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) notes that a Member (including Members appointed as substitutes by Council will be permitted to have one matter only (with no sub-items) on the agenda for a meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee on which s/he 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 other 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

- 6.4 Email to Governance Officer, dated 27 May 2015.