

Report to the Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee
Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 5 February 2025

Report of the Director of Law and Governance

Community Mental Health Transformation Programme Update
(Appendices 'A' to 'C' refer)

Part I	Corporate Priorities: N/A;
Electoral Division(s): (All Divisions);	
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Summary

Purpose of the Report

To provide members with an update on the Community Mental Health Transformation Programme, as well as work undertaken by Healthwatch Lancashire on 'Waiting for Wellness - an investigation into people's experiences and accessibility of mental health services in Lancashire.

Recommendation

The Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee is asked to:

- i. Consider the information provided from both Lancashire and South Cumbria Foundation Trust (LSCFT) and Healthwatch Lancashire.
- ii. Discuss and confirm any further recommendations for consideration.

Background

1. The Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee have previously been provided with regular updates on the Community Mental Health Transformation Programme. The last of which was presented to the committee on 13 September 2023 with a subsequent report to the Health Scrutiny Steering Group in February 2024, specifically on out of area placements. Links to the 13 September 2023 meeting as well as the report from the Steering Group reported to the 20 March 2024 meeting have been included below for ease of reference:



Report of the 13 September 2023 meeting - [Council - Agenda item - NHS Community Mental Health Transformation Programme Update](#)

Report of the Health Scrutiny Steering Group - [Lancashire County Council](#)

2. The report from LSCFT at Appendix 'A' provides the committee with updates on the following key areas:
 - Learning Disability Inpatient Facility – 'Water Meadow View' at Whittingham
 - Patient discharge housing challenges
 - Management of mental health patients presenting in Acute Hospital Emergency Departments.
 - Reducing the expenditure and usage of out of area placements.
3. At Appendices 'B' and 'C' are reports from the Healthwatch Lancashire 'Waiting for Wellness' investigation; the initial report and findings from the engagement which ran from 3 April 2023 to 30 July 2023, and the Phase 2 report on the engagement undertaken from 2 October 2023 to 4 January 2024.

Options and Proposals

4. The Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the information provided and discuss any recommendations for consideration.

Consultations

5. Any information on consultations is contained in Appendices 'A' to 'C'.

Context and Implications

Legal (including Human Rights)

6. The report at Appendix 'A' represents the views of the LSCFT. Those at Appendices 'B' and 'C' represent the views of Healthwatch Lancashire and not those of Lancashire County Council.

Financial

7. The report at Appendix 'A' represents the views of the LSCFT, and those at Appendices 'B' and 'C' represent the views of Healthwatch Lancashire and not those of Lancashire County Council.

Equality and Diversity

8. The report at Appendix 'A' represents the views of the LSCFT, and those at Appendices 'B' and 'C' represent the views of Healthwatch Lancashire and not those of Lancashire County Council.



Risk Management

9. The report at Appendix 'A' represents the views of the LSCFT, and those at Appendices 'B' and 'C' represent the views of Healthwatch Lancashire and not those of Lancashire County Council.

Appendices

Appendix	Title
Appendix 'A'	LSCFT Community Mental Health Transformation
Appendix 'B'	Healthwatch Lancashire – Waiting for Wellness
Appendix 'C'	Healthwatch Lancashire – Waiting for Wellness Phase 2

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
NA		

Part II Reason

NA

