

## **BRIEFING REPORT**

### **Health and Adult Social Care and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

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**Date of Meeting:** 05 December 2019

**Report Title:** Cheshire East All Age Mental Health Strategy – Overview and Current Performance (Implementation Report)

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#### **1. Background**

- 1.1 The Cheshire East [All Age Mental Health Strategy 2019-2022 \(PDF, 5MB\)](#) was published in August 2019. This is our strategy for people with a functional mental health condition. A functional mental health condition is one with a predominantly psychological cause and includes conditions such as depression, schizophrenia, mood disorders and anxiety (A separate strategy for Dementia is being developed currently in Cheshire East).
- 1.2 The strategy is firmly aligned to Cheshire East Council's Corporate Plan which aims to create sustainable growth in the local economy that will support the health and economic wellbeing of the residents of Cheshire East. The strategy is also aligned to the NHS five evidence-based steps to improve our mental wellbeing, the Five Year Forward View and the principles of the Mental Health Act.

- 1.3 The strategy was produced with the support of a number of stakeholders including NHS partners, community and voluntary organisations and the police. There has also been engagement with individuals who have used health and social care services. This ensures that the strategy is relevant and focuses on the things that are important to residents in Cheshire East.
- 1.4 The strategy has been endorsed as joint strategy by Peoples Directorate Management Team on 14 May 2019 and also by NHS Eastern Cheshire CCG Governing Body on 24 April 2019 and NHS South Cheshire CGG on 2 May 2019.
- 1.5 It was agreed that a Strategy Implementation Report (Appendix 1) was to be developed and progress updates would be presented to the Council and CCG's within 6 months. Commissioners from the Council and CCGs have also been involved in the scoping and development of a Cheshire East Mental Health Partnership Board to review progress against the priorities and actions within the strategy. This board will also report to the Cheshire East Health and Wellbeing Board.

## **2. Briefing Information**

- 2.1. The strategy proposes a whole system approach to improve the mental health and wellbeing of individuals and their families and is supported by integrated health and social care services, resilient communities, inclusive employers and services that maximise independence and choice.
- 2.2. Nine priority areas for delivery are highlighted in the strategy and have been chosen by looking at our own mental health support and by engaging with a range of partners as part of a co-production approach.
- 2.3. The priorities are as follows;
  - Transition from Childhood to Adulthood
  - Cared for children and care leavers
  - Employment
  - Personality disorder
  - Crisis care
  - Building sustainable communities
  - Justice and mental health,
  - Commissioning more effective services
  - Mental health law reform
- 2.4. In order to provide an update on the progress against the key priorities identified in the strategy an Implementation Report has been jointly produced with input and contributions from partner organisations from across Cheshire

East including officers from Cheshire East Council, Clinical Commissioning Groups and Cheshire and Wirral Partnership (see Appendix 1). The report will identify progress against implementation actions; identify any barriers and challenges and areas where additional input is required. This report will be updated on a quarterly basis and be used to provide updates to the Council (Overview and Scrutiny), CCGs, the Mental Health Partnership Board and the Health and Wellbeing Board.

### **3. Implications**

#### **3.1. Legal Implications**

- 3.1.1. There are no direct legal implications arising from the strategy but Cheshire East Council Legal Services have been consulted regarding the strategy development and will support in relation to any specific legal issues that arise in the future.
- 3.1.2. If in the course of implementing the strategy it is proposed to procure goods or services (solely or jointly with others), those procurements should be carried out in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and (where the Council is leading on the procurement) in accordance with the Council's own Contract Procedure Rules.

#### **3.2. Financial Implications**

- 3.2.1. There are no financial implications for the MTFS from this briefing paper.
- 3.2.2. The All Age Mental Health Strategy aims to encourage system wide work in order to improve outcomes for people with mental health conditions in the Cheshire East area.

#### **3.3. Human Resources Implications**

- 3.3.1. There are no human resources implications associated with this report.

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