

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Health and Wellbeing Board

Date of Meeting: 18 November 2014
Report of: Lorraine Butcher, Chair of Pan Cheshire Mental Health Group
Subject/Title: Mental Health Crisis Concordat

1 Background

- 1.1 On the 27 January 2014, the Mental Health Crisis Concordat was launched. It is a joint statement written and agreed by a range of national organisations to describe what people experiencing mental health crisis should be able to expect in terms of service support.
- 1.2 The high level principles within the document are to be underpinned at a local level by the formation of a local declaration statement and action plan setting out how agencies will deliver the commitments of the Concordat at a local level.
- 1.3 The Cheshire, Halton and Warrington area (Cheshire) Sub-Regional Leaders Board agreed to the proposal from the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire that he would take the lead and that the Pan-Cheshire Strategic Mental Health Board would oversee delivery.
- 1.4 The Pan Cheshire Strategic Mental Health Board comprises senior leaders from across the range of commissioner and provider agencies involved in mental health across the Cheshire sub-region.
- 1.5 A national template has been published to aid areas in creating a local declaration statement. It is recommended that this is used in Cheshire, and attached, as appendix 1, is both the declaration and the organisations that have indicated their support for a single declaration across Cheshire. It is the intention that at forthcoming meetings of the Sub-Regional Management Board and Sub-Regional Leaders Board, that the Declaration Statement is formally adopted within the Cheshire sub-region.
- 1.6 In addition to supporting a single declaration work is underway to identify key actions across Cheshire that it is recommended should be undertaken on a combined basis. A list of potential joint actions is currently being considered (attached as appendix 2) with the intention that, once agreed a Delivery Plan is shaped for implementation. The Joint Action Plan will then complement identified actions agreed at the local level by Health and Well Being Boards.

- 1.7 This report therefore seeks to advise Health and Well Being Boards across Cheshire on the developing Pan-Cheshire approach to implementing the Mental Health Crisis Concordat.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Health and Well Being Boards in each area note the adoption of the Cheshire, Halton and Warrington Declaration Statement and recommend its endorsement by the Sub Regional Leaders Board.
- 2.2 That the Health and Well Being Boards support the development of the Joint Action Plan.
- 2.3 That the Health and Well Being Boards note and monitor the development of local actions.
- 2.4 That future reports are received updating the Boards on progress towards implementation of the Pan Cheshire Plan.

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer:

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