



**To:** South Cambridgeshire Community Safety Partnership

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### **Mental Health Roundtable**

#### **1. Purpose**

- 1.1 The update the Partnership on the outcomes from the Mental Health Roundtable including the next steps being taken to progress the creation of a Mental Health Crisis Declaration for Cambridgeshire.

#### **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 The Partnership notes the contents of the report.

#### **3. Mental Health Crisis Care Concordat – Improving outcomes for people experiencing mental health crisis**

- 3.1 In February 2014 senior representatives from a range of national agencies signed up to the Mental Health Crisis Care Concordat. The shared statement describes what people experiencing a mental health crisis should be able to expect of the public services that respond to their needs.

- 3.2 The Concordat expects that, in every locality in England, local partnerships of health, criminal justice and local authority agencies will agree and commit to local Mental Health Crisis Declarations. This is the most important ambition of the Concordat.

- 3.3 The declaration should consist of commitments and actions at a local level that will deliver bespoke evidence-based services which meet the principles of the Concordat. This should be captured in a shared action plan and include:

- reduction of the use of police stations as places of safety;
- reduction in the use of police vehicles to transfer patients;
- timescales put in place so police responding to mental health crisis know how long they will have to wait for a response from health and social care workers; and

- information sharing to enable people in crisis to receive the best care.

#### **4. Local Mental Health Roundtable**

- 4.1 On July 1 Police and Crime Commissioner Sir Graham Bright and Chair of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group Maureen Donnelly jointly chaired a roundtable to discuss how the county can meet the quality standards set out in the Concordat.
- 4.2 The event was attended by senior leaders from across the county including Directors of Adult Social Care, Directors of Public Health, the Chief Executive and Chief Medical Officer from the local mental health trust and leaders from local Probation, charities, NHS England and Addenbrooke's Hospital.
- 4.3 Presentations from Cambridge MIND Chief Executive Sarah Hughes, Cambridgeshire's Director of Public Health Liz Robin and Dr Geraldine Strathdee, NHS England's National Clinical Director for Mental Health inspired the discussions. In particular Dr Strathdee challenged leaders to take a brave longer term approach to mental health and consider economic re-modelling.

#### **5. Next Steps for Cambridgeshire**

- 5.1 The Roundtable group agreed on the following next steps:

- Each organisation to secure Board/Trust support within the next three months to sign up to a Mental Health Crisis Care Declaration.
- ACC Mark Hopkins to co-chair with the CCG GP clinical lead for mental health Dr Emma Tiffin, a Concordat Declaration Group comprised of representatives from all organisations – including those not present at the table - to take forward a Mental Health Crisis Care Declaration for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. The OPCC will support this group.
- The CCG is keen that this work going forward is linked to the “whole-health system” service re-design work that is being led by Andy Vowles, Chief Operating Officer. The CCG will draft TORs that set out how this can best be done.
- This work also needs to align to the Public Service Board Re-wiring programme.
- Mental Health Roundtable attendees to meet again in early November to share progress and look at signing a Mental Health Crisis Care Declaration and associated action plan for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough which can be loaded onto the National website in order to meet the national deadline of December 2014. The Roundtable will continue to be jointly chaired by the PCC and CCG.

#### **6. Mental Health Concordat Declaration Group**

- 6.1 The first meeting of the Concordat Declaration Group was held on August 27, 2014 with encouraging representation from the majority of the agencies concerned. The group agreed:

- To share a draft joint Mental Health Declaration for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough with their respective senior colleagues, in particular those who attended the Mental Health Roundtable. This will be signed off at a proposed second roundtable in November.
- To hold a workshop to populate the Action Plan to drive the joint declaration forward. (Scheduled for October 8, 2014)
- That this meeting was a significantly positive first step in starting the dialogue across all agencies about how outcomes can be improved for people experiencing suspected mental health crisis.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

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