



<b>Report for:</b>	<b>Health and Wellbeing Board on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014</b>	<b>Item Number:</b>	
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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Scrutiny Reviews and Responses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Mental Health and Accommodation; and</b></li><li>- <b>Mental Health and Physical Health</b></li></ul>
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<b>Ward(s) affected: All</b>	<b>Report for: Non-Key Decision</b>
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## 1. Summary

- 1.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and its four Panels undertook a number of projects in 2013/14, including:
  - Mental health and accommodation; and
  - Mental health and physical health.
- 1.2 The final project reports and recommendations were agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in April 2014 and referred to Cabinet for agreement of responses to recommendations.
- 1.3 The responses to recommendations are presented to Cabinet in this report. An update report on the implementation of recommendations is scheduled at Overview and Scrutiny in the first half of 2015.



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- 1.4 This report incorporates the comments of the Clinical Commissioning Group (the CCG) and the Council to the recommendations of the two Panels.

## **2. Cabinet Member introduction**

- 2.1 The reviews of the Scrutiny Panels on Mental health and accommodation and on Mental health and physical health are welcomed as an important contribution to the transformational work underway to improve responses to people with mental health needs in the borough across health and social care.
- 2.2 A joint post has been established to identify the best use of the accommodation resources in the borough for those with mental ill health and implement new ways of working in this area. The differential life expectancy of those with severe mental illness is well documented nationally as well as locally and these recommendations support change in this area.
- 2.3 The Better Care Fund is a single pooled budget to support health and social care services to work more closely together in local areas. It is noted that whilst the initial priority in Haringey is older people with frailty, the Council and the Clinical Commissioning Group will introduce a focus on mental health services into the Better Care Fund Integration Plan for 2015/16. Whilst recognising that this is not new money, it will offer further opportunity to address the needs of people with poor mental health in a joined up way in the borough.

## **3. Recommendations**

- 3.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note:
  - a. The responses to the recommendations made by Overview and Scrutiny, set out in the tables attached at Appendix 1 and Appendix 2.
  - b. That this report will be also presented to Cabinet on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014 and that any proposals for change will be taken to Cabinet at a future date as necessary for adoption and agreement, after further work to identify resources, costs and identified risks.

## **4. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications**

- 4.1 The Council's Adults Service includes a budget of £9.3m for care, support and services for people with Mental Health Needs. The Mental Health Accommodation Strategy Commissioner referred to is a new post and is funded from the 14/15 ring fenced health funding in support of Social Care services (the Better Care Fund).
- 4.1 There is no further additional funding for the recommendations outlined in this report; however the service has taken the level of available resource into account in its assessment of these recommendations. Those that have been accepted are mostly fairly low cost in nature and can be met from existing resources; any



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remaining additional costs from these recommendations will need to be found by reprioritisation (i.e. shifting funding from other lower priority mental health services). However at this stage, this seems likely to be minimal.

**5. Assistant Director of Corporate Governance Comments and legal implications**

5.1 N/A

**6. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments**

6.1 N/A

**7. Head of Procurement Comments**

7.1 N/A

**8. Policy Implication**

8.1 N/A

**9. Reasons for Decision**

9.1 N/A

**10. Use of Appendices**

10.1 Appendix 1: Mental Health and Physical Health Recommendations; and

10.2 Appendix 2: Mental Health and Accommodation Recommendations.

**11. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

11.1 N/A