

Title of Report:	Hot Focus Session Report
Report to be considered by:	The Health and Wellbeing Board
Date of Meeting:	26/03/2015

Purpose of Report: To propose an outline of the first Hot Focus Session: Mental health and wellbeing in adults

Recommended Action: That the Health and Wellbeing Board agree the agenda for the first Hot Focus Session

<i>When decisions of the Health and Wellbeing Board impact on the finances or general operation of the Council, recommendations of the Board must be referred up to the Executive for final determination and decision.</i>		
Will the recommendation require the matter to be referred to the Council's Executive for final determination?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Is this item relevant to equality?	Please tick relevant boxes		Yes	No
Does the policy affect service users, employees or the wider community and:				
• Is it likely to affect people with particular protected characteristics differently?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Is it a major policy, significantly affecting how functions are delivered?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Will the policy have a significant impact on how other organisations operate in terms of equality?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Does the policy relate to functions that engagement has identified as being important to people with particular protected characteristics?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Does the policy relate to an area with known inequalities?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outcome Where one or more 'Yes' boxes are ticked, the item is relevant to equality. In this instance please give details of how the item impacts upon the equality streams under the executive report section as outlined.				

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Executive Report

1. Introduction

At the November 2014 Health and Wellbeing Board it was agreed that during 2015/16 the Health and Wellbeing Board would focus on three of the 11 priorities in more detail and these proposed priorities would be known as 'hot focuses'. The following priorities were agreed:

1. We will improve the health and educational outcomes of looked after children through high quality health and social care support.
2. We will promote mental health and wellbeing in adults through prevention, early identification and provision of appropriate services.
3. We will maximise independence in older people by preventing falls, reducing preventable hospital admissions due to falls and improving rehabilitation services.

The plan will be to have a three month period where each Hot Focus will be explored, giving an opportunity to bring relevant partners together to have an input, investigate successes and highlight areas where further joint working could take place to achieve against each priority. For each Hot Focus, two key individuals will be nominated to feed ideas and possible solutions that are suggested at the Hot Focus Session into the relevant Delivery Group. It may be that the same individuals are involved in both the session and the delivery plan development.

Feedback will be given to the Health and Wellbeing Board at the end of a three month period.

Initially the first Hot Focus was to have been Looked After Children, however given a change of staffing within WBC Childrens services this has now been changed to promoting mental health and wellbeing in adults.

Each of the Hot Focus sessions will be based on using a continuum approach:

- Prevention and promoting positive mental health and wellbeing
- Early diagnosis and intervention
- Treatment
- Rehabilitation

The proposed agenda is attached as Appendix A

2. Equalities

2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities were consulted on with the public in October and November 2015. One of the overarching strategy aims is to decrease the gap in healthy life expectancy between the least well off in our district and the most affluent. In addition the strategy targets looked after children, children on free school meals, adults and children with mental health problems, those who are lonely and isolated, carers including young carers, people with long term conditions and disabilities and those with dementia. Thus the Health and Wellbeing priorities will help to decrease inequalities in health for many disadvantaged groups.

Appendices

Appendix A – Proposed agenda for Hot Focus 1 – mental health and wellbeing in adults.

Consultees

Local Stakeholders:

Officers Consulted: Rachel Johnson, Senior Public Health Programme Officer

Other: