

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 16 July 2024

Decision No: (CAB 24/25 45335)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	Councillor Marie Finn
SUBJECT:	Mental Health & Wellbeing Strategy
AUTHOR:	Clare Bull, Casey Dunlop, Emily Walmsley

THE DECISION

- (i) To approve the new Southampton Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy and supporting documents.
- (ii) To approve delegation to the Director of Public Health to make minor changes to the strategy during its lifetime.
- (iii) To provide formal approval for the establishment of the Southampton Mental Health and Wellbeing Partnership.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The Southampton Mental Health and Wellbeing strategy has now been finalised, following the completion of the full strategy development cycle including engagement, drafting, public consultation, and refinement from feedback.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. Not having a city-wide Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy for the city risks worsening the health of Southampton residents, increasing inequalities, and creating a wider impact on services downstream. There would also be impacts on the existing local suicide prevention work programme as the new strategy aimed to replace the local Suicide Prevention Plan 2020-2023 through inclusion as one of the six priorities.
2. Having only a strategy and detailed action plan for suicide prevention in Southampton (i.e. adopting only priority outcome 6: 'Working together to prevent suicide and self-harm and support those who are impacted' from the Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy). The three-year Southampton Suicide Prevention Plan ended in 2023. To incorporate and refresh this plan, priority 6 of the new strategy is focussed on suicide prevention.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD

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Date:

Decision Maker:
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:
Claire Heather / Judy Cordell

SCRUTINY

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Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*

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