

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Decision Maker:	Health and Wellbeing Board
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Title:	Hampshire Suicide Prevention Plan
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1. Recommendation(s)

1.1 To approve the suicide prevention plan for Hampshire.

2. Executive Summary

2.1 The purpose of this paper is to present the Hampshire Suicide Prevention Plan to the Health and Wellbeing Board for approval. This is a refresh of the plan signed off by the board in June 2015.

3. Contextual information

3.1 Hampshire's rate of suicides is 8 per 100,000 which is comparable to the England rate of 8.4 per 100,000. The suicide audit for Hampshire highlights key issues for preventing suicide locally.

4. Aim

4.1 Achievement of the Five Year Forward View target for reduction of suicide (10% by 2020/21) from a 2015/16 baseline

4.2 This suicide prevention plan outlines the key actions to reduce the risk on suicide in the residents of Hampshire. The report action plan covers the following areas.

- a. Reduce the risk of suicide in key high-risk groups
- b. Tailor approaches to improve mental health in specific groups
- c. Reduce access to the means of suicide
- d. Provide better information and support to those bereaved or affected by suicide
- e. Support the media in delivering sensitive approaches to suicide and suicidal behaviour
- f. Support research, data collection and monitoring.

4.3 Key achievements since 2015

- a. Development of a postvention protocol for school and colleges

- b. Robust partnership and actions with South Western Railways
- c. Development of real-time surveillance process with Police.
- d. Design of a programme for schools on LGBT issues

4.4 Hampshire County Council lead was part of the national reference group developing the new guidance.

5. Finance

5.1. There are no financial implications from this paper.

6. Consultation and Equalities

6.1. We have consulted with partner agencies through networks and meetings.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Strategic Plan**

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	yes

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equality Duty

1.1. The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- a) The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant characteristic connected to that characteristic;
- b) Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- c) Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

1.2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

1.3. Not applicable

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. Not applicable

3. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption? Not applicable
- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts? Not applicable