

Report title: Mental Health Services	
Report to: Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Committee	
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County Divisions affected: Not applicable	

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Chairman and Lead Members have requested that the Committee continue its review mental health services, including still the covid-19 pandemic and future service planning for changes in demand.

2. Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to consider this report and identify any issues arising.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Committee last received an update from EPUT and NELFT in December 2020. Future updates were delayed due to the covid-19 pandemic.
- 3.2 The scope is set out below:
- Overview of the response to the pandemic
 - Future planning for changes in demand
 - Effect on staffing capacity – high levels of sickness, a likely second peak

4. Update and Next Steps

See Appendices for update. See Action Required for next steps.

5. List of Appendices

Appendix A: NELFT – Children’s Mental Health Services
Appendix B: EPUT – Adult’s Mental Health Services

