Mental Health Services for Young People

Report from the Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Committee working with the People and Families Policy and Scrutiny Committee

At the annual meeting of the Council in May 2022, a motion was considered on mental health services for young people, which acknowledged there had been an increase in the number of mental health problems and illnesses. The Council resolved that a report and recommendations be brought back to this meeting jointly by the Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Committee and People and Families Policy and Scrutiny Committee, following a Task and Finish Group review looking at mental health services for young people.

The motion rightly recognised the work of schools, charities, mental health professionals and our own officers, and noted the important role they play in the lives of young people.

The report and recommendations are at appendix 1 to this report. The report and recommendations have been approved by the Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Committee in consultation with members of the People and Families Policy and Scrutiny Committee.

Each person or body to whom a recommendation is addressed will now need to respond to those recommendations. No recommendations are addressed to full Council as it is not the decision maker, this report is for noting and information.

Recommendation:

To note the Task and Finish Group's final report and recommendations set out in appendix 1 to this report.