

PUBLIC REPRESENTATION - SPEAKER

NAME	SUBJECT
1. Mr Stuart Clayton Representing the Fylde Family Support Group	<p>Mr Clayton wishes to speak on the following issue:</p> <p>“I represent a growing number of Blackpool residents who are looking to raise the profile of the ‘positive’ mental health experience. We have all suffered and continue to do so, but through peer support, we are building community networks and getting our lives back on track. We feel this should be acknowledged more in local media. Groups such as Time to Change, Art of Recovery, Blackpool Inspirations and Rethink Mental Illness are plugging gaps amongst statutory services and helping to keep people alive. They deserve more credit. We belong to a new Mental Health Community Forum under the guidance of Empowerment Advocacy, where we identify the big issues and work on positive solutions in partnership with local agencies and Health and Wellbeing Services. Mental Health is a massive issue in Blackpool and we are tackling it in most productive ways”.</p>

Response to be given by the Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Health, Councillor Amy Cross

NOTE: The representative will be able to speak for up to a maximum of five minutes.