Scrutiny Review Scope	
Proposed Title	Scoping Date
Mental Health Support for Young Men (aged 16-25) and Suicide Prevention	30 June 2022

#### Criteria and reasons for selecting topic

At its 9 September 2021 meeting the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee noted that during the transition of young people from Children's to Adults' Services that access to Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) ceased at age 16.

Further to this a joint meeting with the Adults Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee was held on 22 November 2021 to consider Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services, at which it was agreed to undertake a review.

#### Which priority within the Council Plan does this topic address?

Communities - Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience

#### What are the main objectives of the scrutiny?

To determine the level of mental health provision for 16-25 year old men in Blackpool, identify any gaps in the available provision and make recommendations as appropriate.

## What specific issues will be addressed as part of the scrutiny?

A joint scrutiny review with the Adult Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee. To include further information on the Elliot's House project and the links between self-harm and suicide rates.

### What possible outcomes are envisaged in terms of service improvements / benefits to the community?

To improve the provision of mental health services for young people

# How will the public be involved? (consider invitations / press releases for meetings, consultation with community groups / clubs, etc)

Input could be sought from young men who has accessed or are accessing service and/or groups who are working with them.

#### How will the scrutiny achieve value for money for the Council / Council Tax payers?

The review will look at what provision is available for young men aged 16-25 years of age, considering if the services available are achieving their objectives and delivering for young people in Blackpool. If necessary the review panel will make recommendations to improve the services available.

## What primary / new evidence is needed for the scrutiny?

- Mental provision available to those under 16 years of age.
- Details of mental health/suicide prevention services available to 16-25 year olds
- Uptake of services by young men
- Details of the Elliot's House Project
- Links between Self Harm and Suicide rates

What secondary / existing information will be needed? (include background information / existing reports (consider Internal Audit) / legislation / central government information and reports, etc.

• Case studies of individual experience of services

## Which Council officers / departments will provide information, advice and assistance for the scrutiny?

- Children's Services Paul Turner
- Adolescent Services Sara McCartan
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

## What expert witnesses will the panel request input from outside of the Council?

- Blackpool Teaching Hospitals Trust (NHS)
- Healthy Young Minds
- Representative from Elliot's House
- Individual who has accessed services

# What type of meetings (e.g. fact finding, evidence gathering, consultations, questioning, site visits), and how many in number are envisaged for the scrutiny?

Initial Scoping meeting followed by an evidence gathering session(s) with service providers and expert witnesses followed by a final meeting to agree any recommendations.

## Timescales / likely duration of enquiry

July 2022 to November 2022

#### **Lead Scrutiny Officer**

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## **Scrutiny Panel Members**

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