

Health and Wellbeing Board



Date of meeting:	12 March 2026
Title of Report:	Suicide Prevention
Lead Member:	Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)
Lead Strategic Director:	Professor Steve Maddern (Director of Public Health)
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Your Reference:	N/A
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

The report provides the Health and Wellbeing Board with an update on local suicide data and the proposed One Devon Suicide Prevention Strategic Plan for 2026-2031

Please be aware that this report and associated papers discuss suicide, which can be an emotional topic. Please look after yourself and seek support if you need: [Mental health support | PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK](#)

Recommendations and Reasons

1. It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board reviews and ratifies the One Devon Suicide Prevention Strategic Plan for 2026-2031

Reason: Suicide Prevention partnerships are accountable to Health and Wellbeing Boards.

Therefore, endorsement will enable partners to begin the delivery of the plan, focusing on the highest priority areas in the first year.

Alternative options considered and rejected

1. The alternative is to not agree and endorse the plan. This would risk hindering the collaborative progress made over the past year, delay delivery of suicide prevention activities and require local areas to create a new strategic plan for each area.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

Contributes to overall mission of the Corporate Plan as well as the following priorities:

- Working with the NHS to provide better access to health, care and dentistry
- Keeping children, adults and communities safe

Contribute to policies in the Plymouth Plan:

- HEA1: Addressing health inequalities, improving health literacy
- HEA2: Developing the best outcomes for children, young people and families
- HEA3: Supporting adults with health and social care needs
- HEA5: Delivering strong and safe communities and good quality neighbourhoods
- HEA9: Delivering accessible health services and clinical excellence

Sign off:

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Kamal Patel											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes Date agreed: 05/02/2026											
Cabinet Member approval: Cllr Mary Aspinall – approved verbally Date approved: 18/02/2026											