

# REQUEST FOR SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME ITEM



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| <b>1</b>  | <b>Title of Work Programme Item</b>   | Children's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health  |
| <b>2</b>  | <b>Responsible Director (s)</b>   | Bronwen Lacey, Director of Services for Children and Young People   |
| <b>3</b>  | <b>Responsible Officer</b><br><br><b>Tel No.</b>  | Paul O'Sullivan, Director of Joint Commissioning  |
| <b>4</b>  | <b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>   | Cabinet Member for Children and Young People and Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care  |
| <b>5</b>  | <b>Objectives</b>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand the prevalence of mental health needs among children and young people</li> <li>2. Review the Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health strategy and developments.</li> </ol>                   |
| <b>6</b>  | <b>Who will benefit?</b>  | Children and young people and their families will benefit from well designed and accessible services. PCC will be assured that partnership investment is appropriate and well used.   |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>Criteria for Choosing Topics (see table at end of document)</b>                      | Raised at panel meeting.  |
| <b>8</b>  | <b>What will happen if we don't do this review?</b>                                     | This review was triggered by concerns raised by young people about the quality and accessibility of the service. If we don't carry out the review children and young people may continue to lack understanding of what is available and how to access appropriate services. |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>What are we going to do?</b>   | Background evidence, witnesses and review of key strategies   |
| <b>10</b> | <b>How are we going to do it? (witnesses, site visits, background information etc.)</b> | As above  |

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| <b>11</b> | <b>What we won't do.</b>   | This will be a general overview and will not focus on particular conditions.  |
| <b>12</b> | <b>Timetable &amp; Key Dates</b>   | Task and finish group to take place over 2 days in October.<br><br>11 and 12 October 2011.  |
| <b>13</b> | <b>Links to other projects or initiatives / plans</b>  | Children and Young People's Plan.<br>Plymouth2020 and Corporate Priority - Reduce inequalities.   |
| <b>14</b> | <b>Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel / Membership if Task and Finish Group (to be decided by OSP before submission to OMB</b> | Children and Young People's Overview & Scrutiny Panel   |
| <b>15</b> | <b>Where will the report go? Who will make the final decision</b>  | Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 2 or 16 November 2011 and Cabinet.  |
| <b>16</b> | <b>Resources (staffing, research, experts, sites visits and so on)</b>   | Lead Officer and Democratic Support Officer.  |
| <b>17</b> | <b>Is this part of a statutory responsibility on the panel?</b>  | No  |
| <b>18</b> | <b>Should any other panel be involved in this review? If so who and why?</b>   | Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Management Board.  |
| <b>19</b> | <b>Will the task and finish group benefit from co-opting any person(s) onto the panel.</b>                                       | Liz Cahill, Commissioning Officer, Services for Children and Young People<br>Emily Carter, Member of Youth Parliament<br>Kerry Whittlesea, CYP OSP Young Person Representative  |
| <b>20</b> | <b>How does this link to corporate priorities?</b>   | Improving emotional wellbeing and mental health will have a direct impact on the confidence, aspirations and achievement of children and young people (Raising Aspiration, Reducing inequalities). Reviewing this area will highlight opportunities for continuous improvement (Value for Communities). |

### Criteria for review

(Items would be expected to meet at least two of the following criteria)

- Corporate priority area
- Poor performing service (evidence from PIs, benchmarking or where high levels of dissatisfaction from customers are recorded)
- High budgetary commitment
- Pattern of not reaching budget targets
- Issue raised by external audit, management letter, inspection report
- New government guidance or legislation
- Issue consistently identified by Members as key through constituency activity
- Public interest issue covered in local media