

Report of LCC Health Scrutiny Meeting of Wednesday, 13th September

This meeting was largely taken up with Mental Health issues,

Firstly - an update on the NHS Community Mental Health Transformation Programme.

-4 Community Mental Health Teams or hubs mirroring the 'Place' model in preparation for a go live date of 16/10/23

- Introducing Mental Health Practitioners into Primary Care
- Lancashire MIND working with VCFS agencies to map out provision of services
- Easy access to specialist mental health services - no 'wrong door' approach
- Multidisciplinary assessments - the right help at the right time

Secondly - Happier Minds Update , the work of LCC Public Health team around alcohol, drugs, self-harm and suicide across Lancashire.

- 5 key strands of work are
 - Emotional Health and Well-being
 - Loneliness and Social Isolation
 - Dementia
 - Alcohol and Drug use
 - Self-harm and suicide

There is work taking place to provide materials for schools to support the PHSE curriculum , and collaborative working towards prevention of harm .

Central Lancashire is piloting a drug-related death panel (has the highest rate in Lancashire) with the first meeting to take place in September.

Happier Minds programme performance review

The aims are to reduce self-harm, reduce the number of suicides, increase numbers into treatment for substance misuse , and reduce drug related deaths.

Cllr Margaret France