

**Name of meeting: Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel**

**Date: 10 December 2020**

**Title of report: Impact of COVID-19 on Mental Health Services in Kirklees**

**Purpose of report:** To provide members of the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel with the context and background to the discussions on the impact of COVID-19 on Mental Health Services in Kirklees.

Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	No
Key Decision - Is it in the <u>Council's Forward Plan (key decisions and private reports)</u> ?	Not Applicable
The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Not Applicable
Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name  Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance?  Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning?	No – The report has been produced for information only and to facilitate the discussions on mental health services in Kirklees.
Health Contact	Chris Lennox - Deputy Director of Operations South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

**Electoral wards affected: None Specific**

**Ward councillors consulted: Not Applicable**

**Public or private: Public**

**Has GDPR been considered? Yes.**

## **1. Summary**

- 1.1 The Covid-19 pandemic has had a major impact on the lives of people with mental health difficulties and on mental health services.
- 1.2 Mental health services have faced considerable challenges and changes during the period of the pandemic that have included significant reductions in people's social networks and informal support systems.
- 1.3 The provision of mental health services during the pandemic has been made more difficult as there has been a need to limit face to face contact and make more use of digital technology.
- 1.4 South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SWYPFT) are a specialist NHS Foundation Trust that provides community, mental health and learning disability services to the people of Barnsley, Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield.
- 1.5 In line with the Panel's wish to assess the impact and implications of the pandemic on mental health services in Kirklees representatives from SWYPFT will be in attendance to provide details of their response to Covid-19.
- 1.6 Information submitted by SWYPFT is attached.

## **2. Information required to take a decision**

N/A

## **3. Implications for the Council**

N/A

### **3.1 Working with People**

No specific implications

### **3.2 Working with Partners**

No specific implications

### **3.3 Place Based Working**

No specific implications

### **3.4 Climate Change and Air Quality**

No specific implications

### **3.5 Improving outcomes for children**

No specific implications

### **3.6 Other (e.g. Legal/Financial or Human Resources)**

No specific implications

## **4. Consultees and their opinions**

Not applicable

## **5. Next steps and timelines**

That the Overview and Scrutiny Panel for Health and Adult Social Care takes account of the information presented and considers the next steps it wishes to take.

## **6. Officer recommendations and reasons**

That the Panel considers the information provided and determines if any further information or action is required.

**7 Cabinet Portfolio Holder's recommendations**

Not applicable

**8 Contact officer:**

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**9 Background Papers and History of Decisions**

Not applicable

**10 Service Director responsible**

Julie Muscroft – Service Director, Legal, Governance and Commissioning