

Mental Health and Learning Disability Services in Torbay

Draft Scoping Document

Background

In developing the overall Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme, discussions were held with members of the Health Scrutiny Board and the Council's Director of Adult Services. It was suggested that the main focus of the Health Scrutiny Board should be around mental health and learning disability services. The Board is mindful that there should be minimal duplication between the work of itself, the Health and Wellbeing Board and Healthwatch Torbay.

Scope of the review [to be confirmed by Health Scrutiny Board]

To gain an understanding of mental health and learning disability services in Torbay and ensure that critical issues are being addressed.

Areas of questioning [to be confirmed by Health Scrutiny Board]

- What are the issues in relation to mental health and learning disability services in Torbay? How are we ensuring that prevention and early intervention services are effective?
- In light of reductions to Supporting People services, how can we help people (back) into work?
- What are the issues in relation to Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in Torbay? Will the new system address these issues?
- What are the alternatives to bed-based care? To long-distance placements?
- How are we ensuring a joined up approach to mental health services? Between the NHS and local authority? And with other partners?

Sources of Information [to be confirmed by Health Scrutiny Board]

Torbay Council – Director of Adult Services
South Devon and Torbay Clinical Commissioning Group
Devon Partnership NHS Trust
Torbay and Southern Devon Health and Care NHS Trust

Methodology [to be confirmed by Health Scrutiny Board]

Information will be collected via a variety of means including visits, briefings, Inquiry Days and meetings of the Health Scrutiny Board.