

Mental Health

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Recommendation: that Councillor G Garrity updates the Committee on the latest position on work by the County Council's Health and Well-Being Scrutiny Committee on Mental Health Issues in Copeland.

BACKGROUND

Cumbria County Council's Health and Well-Being Scrutiny Committee has set up a Task and Finish Group to look into various mental health issues across Cumbria.

This Council's representative on the Health and Well - Being Committee Councillor G Garrity has been a member of the Task and Finish Group.

The Task and Finish Group looked in part at Yewdale Ward and Day Services in West Cumbria and the Committee may recall that Councillors Mrs Y R T Clarkson, Mrs D A Faichney and C Whiteside were invited to one of the meetings of the Group.

This meeting was held on 2 October 2007 dealt with areas of concern about Yewdale Ward that had been raised by the Patient and Public Involvement Forum for mental health. The notes of that meeting are attached within Appendix "A".

The County Council's Health and Well - Being Scrutiny Committee received the report of the Task and Finish Group at its meeting on 3 January 2008. The report is attached at Appendix "A".

Councilor Garrity is requested to update the Committee on the findings of the County Scrutiny Committee and on the way forward.

List of Appendices

Appendix "A" – Report of Health Scrutiny Manager to Cumbria Health and Well-Being Scrutiny Committee 3 January 2008 on Various Mental Health Issues

List of Background Documents:

None