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Summary

This report provides members with an update on the City of London Corporation's (CoLC) new Mental Health Strategy. The current Mental Health Strategy is due to be refreshed and it has been agreed that the new strategy will be joint with City and Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and the London Borough of Hackney (LBH). This collaborative approach aligns with the integrated commissioning agenda and will enable more effective partnership working to deliver better outcomes for the residents of City and Hackney.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. The City Corporation's current Mental Health strategy 2015–2018 was approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board in December 2015. The CoLC and City and Hackney CCG share ownership of the document. It aims to improve the mental health of people in the City, keep people well and then ensure that we provide effective support when mental health problems do arise. An action plan was developed to monitor the progress against four priorities to deliver better outcomes for residents, workers and rough sleepers. This strategy is due to be refreshed.
2. The majority (89%) of the actions on the current action plan were complete or on track and the remaining actions have been delayed but were progressing (see appendix 1). Any actions that are not yet completed will be taken forward and incorporated into the new strategy.
3. The CoLC is part of an integrated commissioning programme with the CCG and LBH. The aim of the integrated commissioning programme is to work as a single system, transforming the way we work to improve health and wellbeing outcomes across City and Hackney. It aims to make best use of shared resources, making savings by being more efficient and effective so that we can invest in more services that City and Hackney people need. It also aims to integrate health, public health, social care and wellbeing services across our providers and to support people to look after their own health and wellbeing. The four workstreams of the integrated commissioning programme (unplanned, planned, prevention and children, young

people and maternity services) are the delivery arm of the programme. There is also a Mental Health Co-ordinating Committee (MHCC) that supports all the workstreams to consider and embed mental health into their work.

Current Position

4. At the last MHCC meeting, partners agreed to produce a joint Mental Health Strategy between the CoLC, City and Hackney CCG and LBH. Partners agreed that a joint strategy would be more effective as mental health and wellbeing falls across health, public health and social care, and an increasing amount of mental health work will be delivered through the integrated commissioning programme.
5. The new strategy will be a high-level document that outlines our shared vision and priorities and provides the strategic direction for the mental health activity of the integrated commissioning programme and each organisation. The aim is that this strategy will ensure commitment and accountability across all organisations to enable us to work in synergy to deliver better outcomes.
6. The implementation of the strategy will be supported by a delivery plan with clear and measurable outcomes. The MHCC will oversee the implementation of the delivery plan and will monitor progress against the priorities and aims of the strategy.
7. A mental health needs analysis is currently underway. The information from this analysis, together with local intelligence gathered from engagement with service users and stakeholders, will be used to develop the priorities of the strategy.
8. The aim is for the final strategy to be approved in early 2019.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

9. The development of a joint Mental Health Strategy will support the CoL Corporate Plan's aim to contribute to a flourishing society.
10. It also supports the following priority from the Department of Community and Children's Services Business Plan: "Priority Two – Health and Wellbeing: Promoting the health and wellbeing of all City residents and workers and improving access to health services in the square mile."

Health Implications

11. A joint Mental Health Strategy will enable a collaborative approach to provide more effective mental health and wellbeing services and improved health outcomes for the workers and residents of the City of London.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Mental Health Strategy Action Plan 2015-18

Background Papers

- City of London Mental Health Strategy 2015–2018

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