



8th November 2011

Dear Cllr Rufus,

As previously discussed, please find links to the three reports that are to be presented at the Joint Commissioning Board on Monday 14th November.

- The Reconfiguration of Short Term Services report (often referred to as Intermediate Care) details proposals for changes to the way that Short Term Services are delivered. Part of the programme includes proposing the redesign of these services and the development of an Integrated Rapid Response Service. Part of the review has included consultation with stakeholders, undertaking a needs assessment, information from our Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and evidence based best practice.
- 2. Review of Community Mental Health Support Services. This programme of transformational change follows extensive consultation with service users, GPs, service providers and the public. It has also included a mapping exercise of all contracts to determine strengths of current services and gaps, information from evidence based best practice and our Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. The proposals include proposing the redesign of Community Mental Health services.
- 3. The **Carers Strategy** refresh is a multi-agency strategy and details priorities for the city council and Brighton & Hove Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Sussex as well as the wider local health economy and voluntary sector. The strategy, which has been developed with carers and organisations providing carers services in the city, details key achievements to date, recommends priorities for the work programme to March 2013 and proposes the development of a universal offer of services which will be available to all carers of adults in the city from April 2012.

If you would like to have further discussion regarding any of these papers we would be happy to discuss at a future HOSC meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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