

Full Council

28 April 2016

Public Question No. 7B

James Chespy asked the Portfolio Holder for Adult Services, Councillor Brake, the following question:

Does Medway Council plan to join the Local Authority Mental Health Challenge and if so will it consider appointing a Medway Mental Health Champion?

Written Response from Councillor Brake:

Medway Council are committed to a range of initiatives promoting positive mental health and emotional wellbeing.

I am particularly proud of the work that we've done in relation to men's mental health through the men's shed initiative.

I am aware of the Local Authority Mental Health challenge, and have been involved in discussions with senior officers from Public Health and Adult Social Care to consider Medway signing up for the programme as it would build on the existing work that we have undertaken.

I am pleased to announce that with the full support of the Leader of the Council, Councillor Alan Jarrett, Medway Council will be signing up for the initiative and a Medway Mental Health Champion will be appointed.