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Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Kent and Medway Mental Health NHS Trust CQC Response Update

Report from: Kent and Medway Mental Health NHS Trust

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Summary

This report sets out an overview from the Kent and Medway Mental Health NHS Trust on the outcome of their recent inspection by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and provides an update on progress being made.

1. Recommendations

1.1. The Committee is requested to note the update from the Kent and Medway Mental Health NHS Trust, as set out at Appendix 1 to the report.

2. Budget and policy framework

2.1. Under the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 the Council may review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning, provision, and operation of the health service in Medway. In carrying out health scrutiny a local authority must invite interested parties to comment and take account of any relevant information available to it, and, in particular, relevant information provided to it by a local Healthwatch. The Council has delegated responsibility for discharging this function to this Committee and to the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee as set out in the Council's Constitution.

3. Background

- 3.1. Following an inspection in March 2025, the CQC published two reports into services delivered by Kent and Medway Mental Health NHS Trust. These included:
 - a) Community mental health services for all age adults and working people, and
 - b) Crisis mental health care and Place Based Places of Safety (HBPOS).

- 3.2 The submission from KMMH, set out at Appendix 1, provides more detail on this and on the progress in transformation.
- 4. Risk management
- 4.1. KMMH have identified risks to them within Appendix 1.
- 5. Financial implications
- 5.1. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.
- 6. Legal implications
- 6.1. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – submission from KMMH.

Background papers

None