REPORT FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

Prepared by: *Carla Harrison* Date: *Wednesday 24th February 2021* Agenda no: *06 1*

Purpose of the paper

To update the Board on the outcomes from the Development Sub-Committee meeting on 27th January 2021, and seek Board approval of agreed action.

Background and context

The Development Sub-Committee met on Zoom, with Jonny in attendance.

Where are we now?

The draft minutes from the meeting are attached for the information of the Board.

What are the key issues?

Jonny provided a verbal update on the funding position in relation to the Hebden Bridge and Todmorden services, which remains uncertain. The Committee confirmed that Jonny has delegated operational authority to ensure that projects are managed within available budgets which includes, if necessary, the authority to consult with staff and implement a redundancy process.

A decision can be made based on all available information in May to allow time for any necessary consultation. Depending on the complexity of the decision this can be made by Jonny (e.g. if no funding at all, then closure of service), by Jonny and the Board Chairs (Paul Hunt, Carla Harrison and Jonathan Morrish) meeting to consider priorities, risks and finance, or by an emergency meeting of the Board if it is felt necessary at that meeting.

The committee briefly discussed the changing funding environment and possible implications for HM and agreed that a wider Board conversation would be valuable as we potentially enter a period of contraction across the sector, whilst demand for MH services continues to increase.

The committee worked through the Risk Register to consider the current controls and ratings, and agree further mitigation required. The revised register is attached.

Work on impact information is progressing and the information relating to one service will be considered in more detail at the next meeting.

It was agreed that the current Business Plan will continue into 21/22 without significant change, but that it will be reviewed in advance of the next meeting.

What is asked of trustees?

The Board is asked to approve the Todmorden and Hebden Bridge decision making process and delegations as outlined above.

Finance

There are no financial implications as a consequence of this paper.

Recommendation

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