#### MENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

# Housing & Health Advisory Committee 28 September 2021

Report of: Chief Officer - People & Places

**Status:** For information

Also considered by: n/a

**Key Decision:** No

Executive Summary: This report is an update on Sevenoaks District Mental

Health Strategy & Kent & Medway Health in the Workplace Awards

This reports support the Key Aim of: The Community Plan

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Recommendation to Housing & Health Advisory Committee:

To note the report.

**Reason for recommendation:** To ensure Members are updated on Mental Health initiatives being provided by the District Council.

## Introduction and Background

- In May 2021, Sevenoaks District Council, developed mental health strategies for both external partners and its staff and Cllrs, this coincided with Mental Health Awareness Week that ran from 1 7 June 2021.
- This report provides an update on the work achieved by the Council, alongside the Kent & Medway Health in the Work Place Awards where the Council completed a number of pledges to receive Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Awards.

## Other options Considered and/or rejected

None.

# **Key Implications**

### **Financial**

No financial cost, just existing staff time.

<u>Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement.</u>

There are no legal implications associated with this report.

## **Equality Assessment**

Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups, and (iii) foster good relations between people from different groups. The decisions recommended through this report directly impact on end users. The impact has been analysed and does not vary between groups of people. The results of this analysis are set out immediately below.

There are no negative impacts - the report applies to all.

#### **Conclusions**

The report highlights the work of the District Council to address mental health.

Appendices

None

Background Papers

Mental Health Strategy

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