

## **WEST MIDLANDS MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

### **Why focus on mental health?**

- Significant driver of demand for public services
- Has a negative impact on productivity
- Opportunity to improve outcomes for people

### **Scope**

- Covers the population of the three combined authority local enterprise partnerships:
  - 7 metropolitan councils: Wolverhampton, Walsall, Sandwell, Dudley, Birmingham, Solihull, Coventry.
  - Reaching into South Staffordshire, North Worcestershire, Warwickshire.
- Focus predominantly on working age population but recognise importance of getting foundations right in childhood.
- Make recommendations for transformation within the current resource envelope.

### **Terms of Reference**

- Assess scale of issue in West Midlands, cost, impact on public services, economy, communities.
- Review research and best practice. Establish costs and benefits of application to West Midlands.
- Identify, consider outcome from West Midlands work to improve mental health and wellbeing.
- Recommendations to Government and Combined Authority on:
  - How public services can be transformed to reduce impact of poor mental health and wellbeing, within resources.
  - How resources currently spent on mental ill health and can be re-directed to keep people mentally well and enable recovery.
  - Potential for, content of, devo deal for mental health and wellbeing.
  - Outcomes to be delivered.

## **Key milestones**

- December 2016 – Frist Commission meeting held and call for evidence including Government and regional/local partners.
- January 2016 – Review evidence and agree cost benefit analysis
- March 2016 – Commission holds listening event(s)
- April 2016 – Report drafted
- May 2016 – Draft recommendations shared with Government
- June 2016 – Commission reviews and finalises report
- July 2016 Commission launches report

## **Commission membership**

- Norman Lamb MP, Chair of the Commission
- Prof Kevin Fenton, Director of Health and Wellbeing, Public Health England
- Prof Swaran Singh, Head of Mental Health and Wellbeing Division, Warwick Medical School
- Steve Gilbert, Service User
- Dr. Geraldine Strathdee, National Clinical Director of Mental Health, NHS England
- Craig Dearden Phillips, Managing Director of Stepping Out
- Steve Shrubbs, Chief Executive, West London Mental Health Trust
- Dame Carol Black, Policy Advisor – work and health to the government
- Paul Anderson, Managing Director, Deutsche Bank, Birmingham

Combined Authority Leader Champion, Darren Cooper, Sandwell MBC

Supporting Officers:

- Sarah Norman, Lead Chief Executive, Dudley MBC
- Steve Appleton, Project Lead, Steve Appleton, Contact Consulting

## **Steering Group membership**

- Lola Abudu, Public Health England
- Sarah Barnes, Troubled Individuals programme, Solihull MBC
- Stephen Chandler, National ADASS Mental Health Lead
- Dr Aquil Chaudary, Cross Birmingham CCG
- Ruth Cooke, CEO Midland Heart
- Dr Elizabeth England, Sandwell CCG/RCGP Mental Health Lead
- Simon Gilby, Coventry and Warwickshire Mental Health Trust
- Viv Griffin, Wolverhampton Council and West Midlands ADASS and ADCS
- Sarah Jury-Onen, DWP
- Dr Adrian Philips, DPH Birmingham
- Sean Russell, West Midlands Police
- Dr Paul Turner, Birmingham South Central CCG
- Helen Wadley, Birmingham MIND
- Shelly Ward, Prevention of Violence Against Vulnerable People Programme

