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Dear Leader,

At its meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 the Health, Integration and Commissioning Select Committee formally considered the Draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Surrey, currently out for stakeholder public engagement.

Mathew Tait, Joint Accountable Officer, Surrey Heartlands ICS and Helen Atkinson, SCC Executive Director of Public Health, attended the meeting to answer questions on the Draft Strategy and listen to comments raised by Members. The Health, Integration and Commissioning Select Committee agreed that I should write to you as Chairman with a summary of the comments and main areas of concern.

### **Governance**

Concerns were raised about the governance arrangements that will support the delivery of the strategy in relation to its three Priorities and the absence of a clear line of accountability for the Outcomes identified within each Priority. Although officers sought to reassure Members that the delivery of the Outcomes will be the overall joint responsibility of the Health and Wellbeing Board, the Committee were of the view that a single organisation should be held accountable for each of the Priorities and associated Outcomes.

### **Mental Health**

Members observed, with great concern, a lack of reference and emphasis on Mental Health throughout the Draft Strategy, even though "*Supporting the emotional wellbeing of people in Surrey*" is one of its three Priorities. Considering that the recently published NHS Long Term Plan specifically commits funding streams for Mental Health, the Committee is of the view that the Draft Strategy should incorporate more explicit references to Mental Health. For example, in relation to each of Surrey's priority population groups, associated Outcomes and Metrics for Measurement.

### **Building Capabilities**

Members agreed that the descriptions of the partnership infrastructure that will enable delivery for each of Surrey's priority population groups, lack in detail and seem generic for the most part. The Committee is of the view these should be refined and developed further before the Health and

Wellbeing Strategy is formally adopted, in order to facilitate monitoring of delivery and ensure a successful implementation.

I hope you find the Health, Integration and Commissioning Select Committee comments helpful and constructive and I hope they will be given due consideration by Cabinet and the Health and Wellbeing Board. I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Zully Grant-Duff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

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