

# Mental Health: Prevention Board (MHPB) Work Plan 2024 – Review of delivery at September ahead of writing new Work Plan for 2025



The purpose of this review is to assess the delivery of the 6 Actions we set in November 2023 for MHPB's Work Plan during this calendar year to date. MHPB oversees Priority 2 of the HWB Strategy - through 4 outcomes, 13 reporting programmes and 19 indicators in the Strategy Index.

**ACTION 1:** Ensure all HWB Strategy Priority 2 (P2) programmes continue to build in a strong understanding of Surrey's [priority populations](#) and [key neighbourhoods](#) in delivering the four outcomes.

**Key impact over the last 12 months**

**Evidence of focused support to improve outcomes across P2 programmes, especially for these targeted groups.**  
Promoted professionals' & residents' engagement - eg end stigma survey and gambling campaign.  
Supported funding cases to HWB Board where evidenced need for sustainable funding on Suicide Prevention and Green Health & Wellbeing programmes.

**Better alignment across all HWBS priorities, to build the whole system picture of/ better meet the population needs.**  
Enabled better system linkages through widely shared Highlight Reports, and linking with the Co-production & Insights Group (CPIG).

**Supported the Surrey System to move forward on the most important priorities for prevention and early intervention in mental health.**  
Working strategically with Mental Health System Committee through an explicit focus on mental health prevention in One System Plan.

✓ **Examples of deliverables**

**Monitored/ reported on refreshed list of 13 Priority 2 programmes' milestone delivery across four quarters to HWB Board/ the system.**

**Built relationships with programme managers to support their meeting of milestone actions against their logic models, and raising risks & issues.**

**ACTION 2:** Mental Health Investment Fund (MHIF) Oversight Sub-Group will provide quality assurance, guidance and challenge in support of MHIF project team's operational management of funded schemes.

**Key impact over the last 12 months**

**Supported Mental Health Investment Fund (MHIF) project team to ensure effective delivery of the programme, system communications & appropriate use of funds.**  
Supported Round 1 & Round 2 funding criteria and successful projects into delivery.  
Gave oversight of project reporting by providing quality assurance, guidance and challenge in Oversight Sub Group.  
Helped design of evaluation framework and communications work.

✓ **Examples of deliverables**

**Helped to determine the focus areas for spending the remaining £1.7m funds at a June round table with partners, by evidencing of need in line with effective mental health prevention interventions, resulting in match funded, grant rounds led by Community Foundation for Surrey (September's round is on suicide prevention in young adults).**

**ACTION 3:** Understand, and work within, how the Surrey system organises at county-wide, Place, town and neighbourhood levels – and focus on making strong connections with Place.

**Key impact over the last 12 months**

**All relevant strategies and equivalent around mental health prevention and promoting well-being were influenced and/or endorsed by board scrutiny.**  
Priority was given to providing expert input to, and endorsement of, draft Surrey system partnership strategies, protocols or action plans, eg the refreshed Suicide Prevention Strategy after national policy changes.

**Helped with successful prototype of Place-based work on prevention interventions, including its endorsement to HWB/ MHSC for a wider roll out based on this learning and with engaged Place partners across the system.**  
Providing governance to this major development work in mental health prevention, aligned with One System Plan, has been an increasing focus since spring 2024.

✓ **Examples of deliverables**

**Support to design of new Mental Health System Intelligence Network being established across the Surrey system with a focus on mental health prevention and addressing health inequalities.**

**Steered the NW Surrey (and wider) population health management prototype work, including health inequalities scenario modelled by the PH MH team with partners.**

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## September ahead of writing new Work Plan for 2025 (cont'd)



**ACTION 4:** Provide direct oversight of, steering or broad support to Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) chapter development, as relevant to Priority 2.

### Key impact over the last 12 months

**Ensure the effective coverage of preventative mental health in the Surrey JSNA of the current and future health and social care needs of the population.**  
Focused time of programme manager and Board members to support writing of the 'Loneliness and Social Isolation' JSNA chapter in Surrey, whilst also reviewing and steering other relevant JSNA chapters' recommendations.

### ✓ Examples of deliverables

Governance body for production of the first 'Loneliness and Social Isolation' JSNA chapter, published in September with 10 key recommendations for the Surrey system, and to draw up action plan for implementing its wide-ranging findings.

Steers provided to JSNA team/ lead authors where preventative mental health aspects (eg on 'Housing' and 'Migrant Health Rapid Needs Assessment' chapters).

**ACTION 5:** Identify gaps in services or under-supported needs, through working with communities, in order to improve targeted mental health prevention and early intervention.

### Key impact over the last 12 months

**Better understanding of the resources within the priority populations, to help us coordinate and focus the board's efforts on achieving the P2 outcomes.**  
Prioritising HWBS priority populations and key neighbourhoods, through Priority 2 programmes (eg GRT communities focus adopted in MH 1st aid training) and projects delivering the MHIF.

**Embedded ethos and ways of working through evidenced community and neighbourhood input into delivery of the Work Plan and enhanced VCSE membership on the Board.**

Through the new MH Intelligence Network and working with Co-Production & Insights Group (CPIG), empower the VCSE/ lived experience voice strategically, including to have a clearer clearer focus on Strategy Index/ Scorecard and Place-based work.

### ✓ Examples of deliverables

Strengthened relationship with Co-Production & Insights Group (CPIG) through bringing items for collaboration and input (eg on men's mental health and green health & wellbeing).

Ensured good VCSE representation in the June roundtable to influence the decision-making on the remaining MHIF allocation.

**ACTION 6:** Oversight of Strategy Index Working Group, led by SCC Analytics & Insights, to understand gaps and improve metrics and the evidence base for Priority 2 (and Priorities 1 & 3) appropriate for inclusion in the [Strategy Index](#).

### Key impact over the last 12 months

**Reduce the current deficit in the number of HWB Strategy Index indicators for Priority 2.**  
In June, added seven new indicators under outcome 1, four under outcome 2, three under outcome 3 and two under outcome 4.

**Development of better metrics for Priority 2 that can demonstrate impact of programmes/ meeting of population needs, in reducing health inequalities.**  
Delivered through 16 new indicators with four more for development in 2024-25.

**Understanding of the gaps from data insights that supported the evidence-based case for resources directed to the areas of most need.**  
The first Index annual scorecard provided a read out on the positive and negative directions of travel for Priority 2 indicators, now to be considered by MHPB in its 2025 Work Plan in terms of system action required and/or escalation to HWB Board.

### ✓ Examples of deliverables

Guidance of MHPB Working Group members to the Index developers on priority areas for development of new or improved indicators for Priority 2 produced a plan of action agreed at HWB Board in June.

The HWBS scorecard was published in July as a first annual report against the Index, identifying where momentum needs to be maintained, and where need persists and improvement may be required.