

DRAFT SCRUTINY PROJECT BRIEF

The following draft officer project brief is intended to serve as a starting point for Member discussion on how to take forward the review.

Name of Review: The level and nature of mental health services to teenage black men in Southwark
<i>Members are asked to consider whether the above title reflects the desired focus for the review.</i>
Date(s) of consideration: 30 July 2003 – initial briefing received 17 Dec 2003 – Session 1: presentations from two provider reps, Member to scope review and provide steer for future sessions/site visits
Why is the Committee doing this? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member interest/in work programme
Background <p>As requested by the Sub-Committee, contact has been made with providers named within the report presented to this Sub-Committee on 30th July 2003, and invitations extended to meet with the Sub-Committee. Submissions received will be fed into the ongoing review as evidence. However, no written submissions have been received to date.</p> <p>Contact with other local and national providers able to inform the review and provide challenge to the inquiry will be made once a steer has been given in respect of the aims and outcomes of the review.</p>
Who/what does the Committee seek to influence with this work? <p><i>Members are asked to consider how the review might add value.</i></p>
What will the Committee's output be? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Written report/recommendations;
Who does the Sub-Committee need to receive advice/evidence from? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Providers of mental health and counselling services in the borough [inc. Social Services, NHS, partnership services, voluntary sector counselling and mental health providers, national/local organisations];• Service users [through user forums, user-led self-help groups] – N.B. the way in which users/potential users of mental health services perceive services;• Advocacy organisations [mainstream/other];• Carers/parents of young people;• Voluntary and statutory sector staff;• Youth Service/Education reps.

What approach should the Sub-Committee use to invite input?

- site visits
- invitations to submit written evidence
- meetings with/presentations from providers
- using existing provider networks/meetings

Members are asked to consider how they wish to approach evidence-gathering, within the constraints of scheduled meetings and available Member time.

How should the review be publicised? E.g. website, Southwark Life, via community council agendas, community groups

- Existing networks [providers, users, agencies and related organisations/information points];
- Consider individual communications strategy [as per OSC decision];
- Youth Council;
- Youth Clubs, schools.