Wiltshire Country Council

Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

17th July 2008

EXTRACT From :

CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a MEETING held at COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE, on THURSDAY 22 MAY 2008.

41. <u>A Strategy for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services</u> (CAMHS)

Members considered a report which explained the services involved and the strategy in place to improve the emotional well being and mental health of children and young people in Wiltshire, in order that their outcomes also improve.

The main comments made during this consideration related to:

- (a) how the impact of the strategy would be measured
- (b) the prevalence/underlying causes of poor mental health and wellbeing in Wiltshire
- (c) a query relating to the methodologies used
- (d) the priority to make service provision more equitable across the county, especially to reduce waiting lists
- (e) how the strategy would help to achieve the CYPP 08/11 goals.

Resolved:

- (1) To thank department for the report.
- (2) To request annual updates on the strategy from the Emotional Wellbeing Sub Group of the Children's Trust Board.
- (3) To request that these annual updates clearly indicate the impact the strategy was having on the mental health and wellbeing of children and young people in Wiltshire.