

APPENDIX 1 – ACTION PLAN

Recommendations	Progress to Date	Lead Officer(s)	Timeline for Completion
<p><u>Recommendation 1</u> <i>The Multi Agency Group continues to meet over the next 12 months to ensure the recommendations from this review are followed through.</i></p>	<p>The Multi Agency Group has had a further 4 meetings and continues to meet and will follow through on the actions of the existing 9 recommendations</p>	<p>J. Russell</p>	<p>February 2014</p>
<p><u>Recommendation 2</u> <i>In the event that any patients up to the age of 18 yrs are admitted to a General Hospital following an overdose or self-harm, that they should be assessed by a Mental Health Practitioner from CHCP Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) prior to being discharged. The patient should then be offered a follow up appointment within a week by the local CAMHS Service.</i></p>	<p>This recommendation has now been implemented by the development of a self-injury liaison service which operates over 7 days and works into hospitals which service residents of West Dunbartonshire</p>	<p>Kate Towlson</p>	<p>Achieved</p>
<p><u>Recommendation 3</u> <i>A protocol should be established between WDC Homelessness Services and CHCP Mental Health Services which proactively supports communication and seeks to engage mental interventions at an early stage with vulnerable high risk clients where appropriate.</i></p>	<p>This recommendation has now been implemented with a clear written protocol agreed by both services</p>	<p>Janice Lockhart</p>	<p>Achieved</p>
<p><u>Recommendation 4</u> <i>WDC Homelessness Services should have access to advice and support via the CHCP mental health duty system – including access to crisis services when appropriate.</i></p>	<p>This recommendation has now been implemented</p>	<p>J. Russell</p>	<p>Achieved.</p>

<p><u>Recommendation 5</u> <i>The interagency case management of complex cases should be led by those agencies best equipped to provide effective interventions. A Multi-Agency Forum led by CHCP Children's Services should be established which brings together Homelessness, Addictions, CAMHS, Mental Health, Through Care and Police services with the remit of sharing information strengthening relationships, clarifying interfaces and simplifying referral pathways.</i></p>	<p>This recommendation is currently being developed and the group has a clear idea of how to take this forward, we are confident this will be in place within our agreed timescale of February 2014.</p>	<p>Paula Godfrey</p>	<p>February 2014</p>
<p><u>Recommendation 6</u> <i>The Multi-Agency Group led by Through Care and Housing services should explore alternative housing and support options for young high risk individual clients and deliver short position paper identifying evidence based alternative options for housing supports within 3 months of this report.</i></p>	<p>This recommendation is currently being developed but the group has a clear idea of how to take this forward, we are working with a third sector provider and West Dunbartonshire Housing Department and are confident this will be in place within our agreed timescale of February 2014. The finance required to implement this has been prepared as part of the Council 14/15 budget process and is dependant on the additional resources being confirmed.</p>	<p>J. Russell</p>	<p>February 2014</p>
<p><u>Recommendation 7</u> <i>A potential model for enhanced support, similar to that provided by Young People in Mind should be explored. This should look at the possibility of extending this service to other young people. This should be led by CHCP Children's Services, including CAMHS.</i></p>	<p>This recommendation is on-going in its development and is being taken forward by Children's Services and CAMHS. The finance required to implement this has been prepared as part of the Council 14/15 budget process and is dependent on the additional resources being confirmed.</p>	<p>J. Russell</p>	<p>February 2014</p>
<p><u>Recommendation 8</u> <i>A shared stand-alone risk assessment tool should be developed and piloted between West Dunbartonshire CHCP Services, Third Sector and Independent Services, which can be shared between relevant services and which clearly identifies a safety plan and actions to be taken to minimise risk. This should be led by</i></p>	<p>We are looking to further define and develop a process of sharing information proactively between services and are looking to link this with the work of recommendation number 5, we are confident of having an agreed way of sharing risk assessments between services and being proactive in how we manage and</p>	<p>J. Russell</p>	<p>February 2014</p>

<i>CAMHS and a report brought back within three months of this report.</i>	minimise shared risk.		
<p><u>Recommendation 9</u> <i>The All4Youth Service was an essential key support in the cases of both Miss A and Miss B, and should be maintained with a view to increasing support.</i></p>	<p>We have put forward a proposal to increase the All4Youth Service as part of the young persons supported accommodation project. The finance required to implement this has been prepared as part of the Council 14/15 budget process and is dependent on the additional resources being confirmed.</p>	J. Russell	February 2014
<p><u>Recommendation 10</u> <i>In all three cases these young women's lives were affected by family breakdown which resulted in periods spent in the care of the local authority. Consideration should be given to the commissioning or development of a family mediation service.</i></p>	<p>We have met with our commissioned Family Mediation Service and are currently looking at what further interventions we require to ensure mediation is offered at an earlier stage to help resolve family issues. Further work is underway to deliver a local approach which is more accessible and supports our young vulnerable people.</p>	J. Russell	February 2014