Suicide Prevention Action Plan: January 2024 – January 2025

Action		Areas of work:	Responsible Officer/s	Date
1.	To improve the Council's awareness, and response to Suicide.	 1.1 To work with the Community Safety & Enforcement Officer to commence the delivery of internal training on suicide to nominated staff teams. 1.2 To extend this training offer to the Council's Members. 1.3 To actively promote Public Health's Mental Health First aid, and Suicide First Aid training across staff teams, and for the Council to adopt a mandatory training requirement for identified front-line teams/nominated officers. 	Community Development Manager & Community Safety and Enforcement Officer	March 2024
2.	To raise awareness of suicide bereavement across Council and the wider community.	 2.1 To include information on the Surrey Support After Suicide service at all internal trainings to ensure information can be provided to residents who have been impacted by suicide. 2.2 To ensure the wider promotion of the service in all Council venues 2.3 To promote the service to Community & Voluntary Sector 2.4 To seek training/briefing via the Surrey Suicide Prevention Partnership for Council staff, and the community & voluntary sector in suicide bereavement 	Community Development Manager	March 2024
3.	To improve the Council's active participation in raising awareness of suicide in the wider community.	 3.1 To develop a well-resourced (visible) EEBC webpage, with a focus on mental health, and to include resources on suicide awareness and prevention. 3.2 To work with communications in planning for World Suicide Prevention Day. 3.3 To work with the Councils Arts & Culture officer in exploring the impact of the arts in raising awareness of suicide. 	Community Development Officer	Sept 2024
4.	To work with End Stigma Surrey in the roll-out of Anti-stigma training.	4.1 To promote Anti-stigma training across Council, community and voluntary sector, businesses, and health partners.	Community Development Officer	June 2024
5.	To work to improve the Council's awareness, provision and response to those communities	5.1 To engage Grassroot services and the Community and Voluntary sector who provide services to at risk groups in better understanding the needs of these groups, the support available, and the gaps in provision.	Community Development Manager	March 2024

	identified as being at increased risk.	 5.2 To conduct a data review of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, Surreyiand Public Health fingertips, and using Real Time Surveillance, in respect of the demographics in the borough in relation to increased suicide risk. 5.3 To use this intelligence to inform service provision and the targeted promotion of services. 5.4 To better advise front-line services in the Council of those who may be more at risk of suicide in the borough, as to triage and respond more effectively. 		
6.	To improve the Councils response to trauma, and the mental health needs of Refugee and Asylum seekers in the borough	6.1 Front-line Council staff and identified partners to enrol on trauma informed support training.6.2 To commission advanced training in understanding psychologically informed approaches to trauma Informed support, and the application of techniques.	Community Development Manager	March 2024
7.	To work with Public Health and the Surrey Suicide Prevention Partnership in understanding data from the Real Time Surveillance	 7.1 To work with identified partners to better understand real time surveillance data and contributing factors for suicide in the borough. 7.2 In line with Action 5, to utilise intelligence to inform service provision in relation to hot spots. 	Community Development Manager	June 2024
8.	To explore the Alison Todd Protocol in the further exploration of suicide in the borough and how the Council responds.	8.1 To work with Public Health in exploring the Alison Todd protocol 8.2 To draft a Senior Management report prior to signing-up to the protocol, and delivering the work under-taken.	Community Development Manager	June 2024