

Title	Time to Change Mental Health Stigma Application
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## Purpose of this report:

This report is to update the Board on the application for Buckinghamshire to become a Time to Change Organic Hub.

## **Summary of main issues:**

In November 2017 the Health and Wellbeing Board approved an application to Time to Change for Bucks to become a local Time to Change hub. A hub is a partnership of local organisations and people who are committed to ending mental health and discrimination, and the key partners in the Bucks hub will be the Health and Wellbeing Board, Bucks Mind and Bucks CC. Wider partners include Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust, NHS Aylesbury Vale and NHS Chiltern Clinical Commissioning Groups, the Districts, The Buckinghamshire Recovery College and Bucks Business First.

At the end of February we were notified by Time to Change that our application to become an organic Time to Change Hub had been successful.

The Time to Change team provided positive feedback on the Buckinghamshire bid, highlighting the following areas:

- A strong and real partnership approach came across in the application
- Good range of organisations involved, NHS involvement and HWB as host to be commended
- Clear ground level support and pledges from District Councils.
- Financial commitment to provide stability and awareness about future sustainability.
- Future activity has been well thought through and clear presentation of priority groups

Achieving Organic Hub status will provide a strategic focus for local campaigning work, and the support of the national organisation for our local work. This covers support for community work, schools, emergency services, workplaces, marketing and communications (including use of the Time to Change 'brand'), evaluation tools and access to a hubs peer support network. We are currently talking with Bucks Mind, finalising details for them to provide the Co-ordinator support for the Hub. A programme of induction and training with Time to Change for BCC and other key partners will take place through March to June 2018 as part of the set up phase. Initial meetings with key partners to start planning delivery will take place over the next 3-4 months.



A Partnership Group is being set up with representatives of key and wider partners, together with at least three Time to Change Champions - people with lived experience. We expect delivery of activities to begin in the summer of 2018, and continue for a 12 month period.

## **Recommendation for the Health and Wellbeing Board:**

To note the report and progress at the meeting on 29 March.

## **Background documents:**

Buckinghamshire Organic Hub application (attached)