

**Council**

Date of meeting: 15 December 2022

**INDEPENDENT COUNCILLORS AMENDMENT**

**Mental Health Emergency**

That the relevant changes are made to the recommendations as shown below in ~~strikethrough~~ and ***bold italics***:

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Proposed by: Cllr Fishleigh

Seconded by: Cllr Janio

**Recommendations to read if carried:**

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