



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL CABINET
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Report of the Adult Services and Health Commission

Learning Disabilities Integration

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Adult Services and Health Commission expressed disappointment that the Council was not able to proceed with the full integration of services and pooling of budgets for services for people with Learning Disabilities. However, the Commission still wished to see improved outcomes for the service users.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Adult Services and Health Commission considered a report of the Corporate Director Corporate and Adult Social Services on the Future Arrangements for the Management and Delivery of Services for People with Learning Disabilities in Derbyshire and Derby at their September meeting. The report, which had also been considered by the Council Cabinet at their 4 July meeting, summarised the progress to establish a fully integrated social care and health services in the city.
- 2.2 The Commission was informed that there is a good record of partnership working in city and that a significant amount of work has been carried out in preparing for the integration and will improve services for people with learning difficulties. However, the Commission also learnt that the Project Management Board that had been set up to manage the integration process and pooling of budgets had agreed not to proceed with full integration at this stage due to financial uncertainties within health and social care community.
- 2.3 The Commission was disappointed to learn of this position as the integration and pooling of budgets had the potential to make significant improvements in the health outcomes for the service users. Members asked that they still wished to see improved outcomes for people with learning disabilities even though we are no longer proceeding with the full integration and pooling of budgets.

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Background papers: None

List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None directly arising.

Legal

2. The Adult Services and Health Commission is responsible for the overview and scrutiny of services that fall within its remit including people with learning disabilities.

Personnel

3. None directly arising.

Equalities Impact

4. People with learning disabilities are amongst some of the most vulnerable members of the community.

Corporate priorities

5. The report accords with the Corporate priorities of building healthy communities by improving the standard of social care for vulnerable adults and older people