



ADULT SERVICES AND HEALTH COMMISSION 28 May 2008

Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services

NHS Resettlement of Core Houses - Mental Health Bid

RECOMMENDATION

1.1 To consider and endorse the project to re accommodate Learning Disabled, long term in-patient people in the community from NHS campus sites in Derby. The project includes a capital funding bid to the Department of Health to finance the required accommodation.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 NHS campus accommodation is owned and staffed by NHS partners, in Derby's case this is the Derbyshire Mental Health Trust (DMHT). People living in campus accommodation are categorised as in-patients but they do not receive hospital type care, the support and care provided is more a kin to community care. These facilities are not registered with the Commission for Social Care Inspection or the Health Care Commission, hence there are concerns about quality, standards, safety and opportunity for these vulnerable people.
- 2.2 The Department of Health (DH) requires all people currently living in campus accommodation to be discharged from the long term care provided by health services. People with learning disabilities are not ill and they should not be in institutional care, they should have opportunities to live independent lives in the community.

DH has determined that there should be no one in the country remaining in campus accommodation by 31 March 2010 and all localities are tasked to ensure alternative arrangements are in place for all current in-patients.

2.3 There are 19 people living as in-patients in four properties owned and operated by Derbyshire Mental Health Services Trust in Derby. This accommodation is known locally as Core Houses. Namely they are Kufena, Craigmore, Magnolia and Churchview, this service from DMHT is commissioned by Derby City PCT. It is proposed that PCT commissioning of this service will be replaced by local authority commissioning for people living in this type of accommodation.

- 2.4 The proposal put forward by Derby is to upgrade and refurbish two (Kufena and Craigmore) of the existing houses accommodating 9 people, as they are ordinary community type residential dwellings. The other two properties, Magnolia and Churchview will be replaced by separate dwellings. This will increase the stock of supported accommodation in Derby and people being supported by the Council to live independent lives.
- 2.5 The Capital Cost of the project is estimated at £1.825m.
- 2.6 The DH has set aside capital funding to encourage localities to make this happen. The funding has to be secured through a competitive bidding process.
- 2.7 There are various stages to the bidding process for capital funding and Derby has come through the first two rounds in bidding for £1.075m. The third and final round of bids has to be submitted by September 2008. However, there will be progress checks taking place by DH during June and July. The remaining £0.750m capital for the scheme will be met by the PCT. In addition, Derby City PCT will meet all the revenue funding implications of care and support provision for these individuals.
- 2.8 Staff from the Council (Housing and Social Care), DMHT and the PCT are working closely and collaboratively in agreed structures to deliver the change required. The aim is to ensure the best possible outcomes for the service users in all areas of their lives. To this end, each individual is being supported to develop a person centred plan to achieve their aims and goals for their life. Significant effort has been input into the process of consultation and information gathering with the service users and their carers.
- 2.9 The capital funding bids to DH require universal locality support from all stakeholders to be successful. This must be evidenced in the bid. Therefore the Derby bid requires the support and endorsement of Adult Services and Health Commission if it is to succeed.
- 2.10 The Commission is requested to endorse the proposal and the capital bid to the DH.

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Background papers:	None
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. A capital bid of £1.075m will be made to provide supported accommodation for 19 people currently receiving services as inpatients from the Derbyshire Mental Health Services Trust. Derby City PCT has committed to provide the remaining capital and revenue funding for this service. This financial commitment from the PCT shall form part of the bid.

Legal

2. None directly.

Personnel

3. None directly for the Council.

Equalities impact

4. Effective scrutiny benefits all Derby people.

Corporate Priorities

5. This report links with Council's priority to help us all to be healthy and independent and raises the quality of social care, improves health and well being of local communities.