



COUNCIL CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULT SERVICES 10 JANUARY 2007

Report of the Commissioning Manager – Learning Disabilities

JOINT COMMISSIONING STRATEGY FOR ADULTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES 2006 - 2011

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Accept the attached Joint Commissioning Strategy for adults with learning disabilities 2006 – 2011
- 1.2 Agree to continue work to develop the underpinning 5 year financial plan to support implementation of the strategy

2 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 This is the first commissioning strategy for adults with a learning disability in Derby. It has been produced in partnership with Derby City Primary Care Trust (PCT) and is therefore jointly owned.
- 2.2 . The strategy has been informed by two sets of information:
 - Data on what we know about the prevalence of learning disability and likely future demand
 - Information from service users, their family carers and staff about what they perceive are the gaps in services
- 2.3 The strategy identifies an increase in demand in Derby of between 4.6% and 7.1% per annum from 2006 to 2012. A report produced by Verita for the Association of Directors of Social Care in October 2005, entitled 'Pressures on Learning Disability Services – The case for review by Government of current funding' calls for increased investment for learning disability services in order to be able to address this increased demand.
- 2.4 The strategy outlines the current learning disability budgets for Corporate and Adult Social Services and the PCT. Work is ongoing to develop a five year financial plan to underpin this strategy.

2.5 A number of priorities are identified in the strategy. They include:

- Day service modernisation, including opportunities for people to enter the employment market
- Residential service modernisation, including opportunities for people to live more independently, with appropriate support
- Developing the provider market in Derby
- NHS campus reprovision for the 20 people living in the core houses
- Integration of learning disability services, enabling a single point of entry to learning disability services across health and social services
- Developing services for people in transition from children's services to adult services
- Bringing people back to Derby who are placed out of area, and wish to return
- Establishing housing and support needs for people living with older family carers
- Development of local low secure services
- Review of current provider services

2.6 These priorities now require detailed financial appraisal.

2.7 The data included in the strategy requires further validation. Any changes will be reported orally at the meeting.

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Background papers: Derby City Commissioning Strategy: A Joint Commissioning Strategy for Adults with Learning Disabilities 2006-2011

List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications

Appendix 1

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. Work is underway to develop a five year financial plan to underpin the commissioning strategy

Legal

2. Legal advice will be sought on projects within the scope of the strategy as appropriate

Personnel

3. There are personnel implications for a number of the projects within the strategy. Commissioners will work closely with Human resources Departments on any such projects. This has already been happening with some projects e.g. The residential service modernisation project and the Integration project.

Equalities impact

4. Implementation of this strategy would enable people with learning disabilities who are often marginalised, to participate more fully in their chosen communities.

Corporate Priorities

5. Corporate Plan: Key outcome 3.2 - Improving the standard of social care for vulnerable adults and older people. One of the aims of the commissioning strategy is to ensure a link between the quality and cost of services and to ensure that services are available locally in Derby.

