



Derby City Council

Adults and Public Health O & S Board
28 April 2014

ITEM 13

Report of the Strategic Director of Adults,
Health and Housing

***Your Life, Your Choice* – building sustainable care and support in Derby**

SUMMARY

- 1.1 Demographic pressures and new duties about to be acquired when the Care Bill is enacted in April 2015 mean that there is constant upward pressure on the Council's budget at a time of shrinking public finances. The Council has produced a draft adult social care strategy called "Your Life, Your Choice" which sets out a vision for achieving a **sustainable** care and support system. This draft strategy will be considered at Council Cabinet on 30 April 2014 and is attached for Scrutiny Board members' consideration.
- 1.2 The intention is to undertake a comprehensive consultation with Derby residents to seek their views on the future of adult social care and the ideas within the draft strategy. It is intended that a final report will be brought to Cabinet later in 2014.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 Scrutiny Board members are invited to comment on the draft strategy.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 Scrutiny is an important part of consulting on any key strategies of the Council and the experience and different perspectives of Members is a valued part of the consultation process.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 See attached Cabinet report.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 Not applicable.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 The council spends approximately £59m on adult social care. It faces a recurrent pressure on this budget due to demographic pressures of £2m a year.
- 1.2 Bench-marking has shown that the council is achieving value for money in most areas against the services it commissions.

Legal

- 2.1 The council has a duty under the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 to assess those people it thinks is in need of adult social care services. There are a range of legal duties and powers that require the council to meet people's eligible needs.

Personnel

- 3.1 There are no specific implications

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 There are no specific implications

Health and Safety

- 5.1 There are no specific implications

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 There are no specific implications

Property and Asset Management

- 7.1 There are no specific implications

Risk Management

- 8.1 As adult social care is the largest single area of spend after the dedicated schools budget, it is important that the adult social care expenditure stays within the planned amounts in order to support the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan.

- 8.2 The Council also has to consider the risks to vulnerable individuals in how it formulates its adult social care strategy in order to sure risk is appropriately and adequately balanced with the financial risk an over-spending adult social care budget might pose.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1 This draft adult social care strategy supports the Council's overall objective to promote the health and well-being of its citizens.