

Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee

15 March 2019

Adult Social Care Improvement Programme

Information Report by Executive Director for Children's, Adults, Families, Health and Education (CAFHE) and Director of Adults' Services (DASS)

Summary

At its meeting on 15 November 2018, the Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee (HASC) considered the Adult Social Care Improvement Programme following the Local Government Association Peer Challenge in Adults' Services, in particular the proposed plan for the three year improvement programme and draft vision and strategy for adult social care.

The HASC asked that it be provided with additional information, which was subsequently attached to papers for the HASC to consider on 16 January 2019. Information provided included:

- A copy of the latest Safe Indicators Performance information setting out the backlog and the progress in these areas
- The evaluation of the innovation sites
- A copy of a report on the recruitment and retention of social workers and occupational therapists to the end of November 2018, which provided trend data for the previous twelve months.

HASC requested more time to discuss the Adults' Services Improvement Programme and it was agreed that this would form the basis of a substantive item on the Committee's next agenda; this would also be timely to receive additional information on the next 100 days of the Adult Social Care Improvement Programme, which had been agreed at the HASC's 15 November 2018 meeting.

The focus for scrutiny

The Committee is asked to consider the progress of the programme in the last 100 days which is contained in the attachment to this report. To comment on areas of development and innovation, and seek assurance that, where appropriate, effective action is being taken to address any issues of performance or service provision within Adult Social Care, and whether there are any further issues, as result of the HASC's discussions, that should be the subject of further scrutiny by the Committee.

Proposal

1. Background and Context

1.1 At its meeting on 15 November 2018, the Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee (HASC) considered the Adult Social Care Improvement

Programme following the Local Government Association Peer Challenge in Adults' Services, in particular the proposed plan for the three year improvement programme and draft vision and strategy for adult social care. The HASC supported the outline of the proposed plan (3 year improvement plan underpinned by the vision and strategy) and highlighted the importance of resourcing the project appropriately and pursuing joint commissioning as part of health and social care integration. Members also asked that there be an emphasis on preventing social isolation and the importance of social prescribing projects.

- 1.2 In addition, members asked that they be provided with further information, which was subsequently attached to papers for the HASC to consider on 16 January 2019. Information provided included:
 - A copy of the latest Safe Indicators Performance information setting out the backlog and the progress in these areas
 - The evaluation of the innovation sites
 - A copy of a report on the recruitment and retention for social workers and occupational therapists to the end of November 2018, which provided trend data for the previous twelve months.
- 1.3 It was agreed that this information should form the basis of a substantive item on the HASC's 15 March 2019 meeting agenda; this would also be timely to receive additional information on the next 100 days of the improvement programme, which had been agreed at the HASC's 15 November 2018 meeting. Therefore, the purpose of the attachment is to provide the HASC with the information, updated where necessary, as set out above.
- 1.4 Additional information is also included within the attachments to this report, which is considered to be useful to present to the HASC at this time.
- 1.5 The report is accompanied by a presentation and spreadsheets.

Factors taken into account

2. Issues for consideration by the Select Committee

- 2.1 The HASC is asked consider the information attached to this report. Issues members may wish to explore include;
 - a) The effectiveness of plans put in place to address performance issues in regard to Safe Indicators Performance;
 - b) What the evaluation of the innovation sites has told us and how this has informed plans for future developments in Adult Social Care;
 - c) The effectiveness of plans put in place to address the recruitment and retention for social workers and occupational therapists;
 - d) What is the impact of these changes on the County Council's customers;
 - e) Whether there has been any impact on the County Council's ability to carry out its statutory duties.

3. Consultation

3.1 The presentation attached to this report does not require consultation as it is an internal document.

4. Risk Management Implications/Other Options Considered/Equality Duty/Social Value/Crime Disorder Implications/Human Rights Implications

4.1 These sub headings are not applicable as this report is for information purposes only.

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