



Report to Policy Committee

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Report of: Director of Adult Health & Social Care

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Date of Decision: 16th March 2023

Subject: *Director of Adult Social Services (DASS) Report to Committee*

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Purpose of Report:

This paper provides a Director's update regards the performance and governance of Adult Health and Social Care Services, including progress in meeting DASS accountabilities and delivering on our statutory requirements.

It also provides an update regards Adult Health and Social Care progress in relation to the Council's Delivery Plan and key strategic events and issues on the horizon.

Recommendations

It is recommended that Adult Health and Social Care Policy Committee:

- Notes the Director of Adult Health and Social Care report.

Background Papers:

Lead Officer to complete: -		
1	I have consulted the relevant departments in respect of any relevant implications indicated on the Statutory and Council Policy Checklist, and comments have been incorporated / additional forms completed / EIA completed, where required.	Finance: Liz Gough
		Legal: Sarah Bennett
		Equalities & Consultation: Ed Sexton
		Climate:
	<i>Legal, financial/commercial and equalities implications must be included within the report and the name of the officer consulted must be included above.</i>	
2	SLB member who approved submission:	<i>Alexis Chappell</i>
3	Committee Chair consulted:	<i>Councillor George Lindars-Hammond and Councillor Angela Argenzio</i>
4	I confirm that all necessary approval has been obtained in respect of the implications indicated on the Statutory and Council Policy Checklist and that the report has been approved for submission to the Committee by the SLB member indicated at 2. In addition, any additional forms have been completed and signed off as required at 1.	
	Lead Officer Name: Alexis Chappell	Job Title: Director Adult Health and Social Care
	Date: 24th February 2023	

1 PROPOSAL

1.1 This report starts as always with a thank you again to all of the social care sector, our teams and partners, who work consistently work well together to deliver the best outcomes for people of the City.

1.2 Following on from the last DASS report, the service has continued to make significant inroads in achieving and delivering upon our vision and our ambition to improve outcomes of people of Sheffield which is described in our strategy¹ and accompanying Delivery Plan² - Living the Life You Want to Live.

1.3 Adult Social Care about collaborating with individuals, partners, and our workforce so that we deliver the best outcomes for people and communities of Sheffield.

1.4 Adult Health and Social Care Strategic Update

1.4.1 Over the past 2 years, there has been a significant journey of change and I am pleased to note and celebrate our successes as a sector as we go into the next phase of delivering upon our strategy - – [Living the Life You Want to Live](#) to improve the lives and outcomes of citizens of Sheffield.

1.4.2 At last Committee, the DASS and Directors Assurance were also shared to enable openness, transparency and scrutiny regards our delivery of Adult Care in the City.

1.4.3 Through the implementation of our future design of social care, delivery plan as well as wider work to deliver and develop robust partnership arrangements highlighted in the strategic update above, good progress has been made and this is outlined in our reports today - Strategic Delivery Update, Living, and Ageing Well, Adult Future Options, Changing Futures, Finance and Workforce Strategy at Committee Today.

1.4.4 Our future design went live at the end February and this highlights another positive step forward in establishing joined up local services all around people and communities so that our focus is on positive experiences and outcomes for people.

1.4.5 Underpinning all of this is embedding a culture of empowerment, value, trust, and compassion across Adult Care and across all our workforce – both within Sheffield City Council and across all our providers, which enables everyone to feel engaged to lead and deliver excellent quality support which individuals and carers feel is positive. This will be our key focus for 23/24 as a golden thread and enablers across all our activities.

1.4.6 As a key next step, a briefing is planned with Members along with the CQC assurance for March to bring Members up to date and engage in our priorities and focus for 23/25. It's aimed that this then informs an annual assurance statement to Committee alongside the annual local account from 23/24.

¹ Adult Social Care Strategy - [Living the life you want to live Sheffield's adult social care vision 2021 to 2030](#)

² Adult Social Care Delivery Plan - [11. Appendix 1 - Adult Social Care Delivery Plan.pdf \(sheffield.gov.uk\)](#)

1.5 CQC Assurance Update

- 1.5.1 Following the update to Committee, guidance has now been published on the new assurance framework including timelines for implementation. The Guidance is attached at Appendix 1 for information.
- 1.5.2 A follow up briefing and workshop is arranged for March 2023 to provide an overview of CQC self-assessment, our position statement, and activities underway to achieve a good rating. It's aimed that this will enable engagement and discussion about next steps regards the assurance process for the Committee.
- 1.5.3 As a team, we have continued to take an open and learning approach, as it enables us to evolve and transform to deliver excellent support so that the people of Sheffield have positive experiences and outcomes and feel that they can live the life they want to live.

2 HOW DOES THIS DECISION CONTRIBUTE

2.1 Organisational Strategy

2.1.1 Our long-term strategy for [Adult Health and Social Care](#), sets out the outcomes we are driving for as a service, and the commitments we will follow to deliver those outcomes:

- Support people to live a fulfilling life at home, connected to the community and resources around them, and provide care and support where needed.
- Provide temporary assistance to help people regain some stability and control in their life following ill health or crisis.
- Provide care and support with accommodation were this is needed in a safe and supportive environment that can be called home.
- Make sure support is led by 'what matters to you,' with helpful information and easier to understand steps.
- Recognise and value unpaid carers and the social care workforce and the contribution they make to our city.

2.1.2 Make sure there is a good choice of affordable care and support available, with a focus on people's experiences and improving quality of provision.

3 HAS THERE BEEN ANY CONSULTATION?

3.1 The purpose of this report is to provide and update in relation to Adult Health and Social Care Services.

3.2 Consultation is undertaken during the development of proposals for the budget and implementation of proposals for the budget as appropriate.

3.3 An overall approach to coproduction and involvement is also a key element of the delivery plan, ensuring that the voice of citizens is integrated into all major developments ahead. This includes signing up to Think Local Act Personal Making It Real as agreed at Committee in December 2022.

4 RISK ANALYSIS AND IMPLICATIONS OF THE DECISION

4.1 Equality Implications

4.1.1 This update is based on a strategic approach, which was supported by a comprehensive equality impact assessment, which can be found on the Council website [Our adult social care vision and strategy \(sheffield.gov.uk\)](https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/adult-social-care/our-adult-social-care-vision-and-strategy).

4.1.2 Any individual parts of our change and activity will require their own detailed equality impact assessment, which will be completed to inform plans and decision making.

4.2 Financial and Commercial Implications

4.2.1 The strategy was supported by a financial strategy, which can be found on the Council website [Our adult social care vision and strategy \(sheffield.gov.uk\)](https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/adult-social-care/our-adult-social-care-vision-and-strategy), and is closely aligned with the budget strategy.

4.2.2 The additional update does not alter this strategy, although does add a layer of detail.

4.2.3 All individual components of Adult Social Care activity will be assessed for their financial contribution to this finance strategy and the Council's budget. This will be used to inform both plans and decision-making.

4.3 Legal Implications

4.3.1 The core purpose of adult health and social care support is to help people to achieve the outcomes that matter to them in their life. The Care Act 2014 sets the Council's statutory power to direct the provision that:

- promotes wellbeing
- prevents the need for care and support
- protects adults from abuse and neglect (safeguarding)
- promotes health and care integration
- provides information and advice
- promotes diversity and quality.

4.3.2 The Care Act Statutory Guidance requires at para 4.52 that "... Local authorities should have in place published strategies that include plans that show how their legislative duties, corporate plans, analysis of local needs and requirements (integrated with the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy), thorough engagement with people, carers and families, market and supply analysis, market structuring and interventions, resource allocations and procurement and contract management activities

translate (now and in future) into appropriate high quality services that deliver identified outcomes for the people in their area and address any identified gaps.

- 4.3.3 The Living the life you want to live – Adult Social Care Strategy which was approved in March 2022 set out the high-level strategy to ensure these obligations are met.

4.4 Climate Implications

- 4.4.1 The Adult Social Care Strategy makes specific reference to ensuring a focus on Climate Change – both in terms of an ambition to contribute to net zero as well as adapt to climate change.

4.5 Other Implications

- 4.5.1 There are no specific other implications for this report. Any recommendations or activity from the detailed workplans of the strategy will consider potential implications as part of the usual organisational processes as required.

5 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 Not applicable – no decision or change is being proposed.

6 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Reasons for Recommendations

This report provides an update regards Adult Social Care activities for Members.