

# **Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

Report to Scrutiny Board (Health and Well-being and Adult Social Care)

#### Date: 28 March 2014

### Subject: Creation of a Social Enterprise to deliver the Council's Learning Disability Community Support Service – consultation on proposals

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	Yes	🛛 No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	Yes	🛛 No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	Yes	No No

#### 1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to introduce proposals to create a Social Enterprise to deliver the Council's Learning Disability Community Support Service and provide an opportunity for the Scrutiny Board to consider a consultation response.

## 2 Background

- 2.1 At its meeting on 14 February 2014, the Council's Executive Board consider a report in relation to the creation of a Social Enterprise to deliver the Council's Learning Disability Community Support Service. At that meeting, the Executive Board resolved:
  - (a) That the progress made to date in relation to the development of a social enterprise for the Learning Disability Community Support Service, including the production of an Integrated Business Plan; an executive summary of which is attached to the submitted report at Appendix 1, be noted.
  - (b) That approval be given to enable formal consultation to be undertaken with staff regarding the proposal to establish a social enterprise and, subject to a positive staff response, approval be given to establish transitional arrangements, as detailed at resolutions (c), (d) and (e) below.
  - (c) That full engagement with a wide group of stakeholders including Elected Members, customers and family carers be authorised.
  - (d) That the setting up of a Shadow Board to oversee the development of the social enterprise be authorised, which will include membership from the Council.
  - (e) That the preparation of a detailed service specification and the negotiation of a contract for services for a period of 5 years, which achieves the balance of

benefits and risks for both the Council and the social enterprise, as identified within the submitted report, be authorised.

- (f) That it be noted that (subject to a positive staff response through the consultation process) a further report will be brought to Executive Board, during the transitional arrangements, which will request approval to launch the social enterprise.
- (g) That the next steps be approved as follows:-
  - March May 2014: Formal consultation on the proposal
  - June 2014: Establishment of shadow arrangements
  - **December 2014**: Report to Executive Board requesting approval to launch the social enterprise
  - Early 2015: Launch of social enterprise
- (h) That it be noted that the Head of Service for the Learning Disability Community Support Service is the lead officer for this project.

### 3 Main issues

- 3.1 The report (and associated appendices) presented to the Executive Board is attached to this report, which includes the substantive matters to be considered. To assist the Scrutiny Board's consideration of the proposals, the Executive Board Member and relevant officers have been invited to attend the meeting.
- 3.2 In addition, as the local health and social care consumer champion, Health Watch Leeds has also been invited to attend the meeting to provide details of any local intelligence/ feedback gathered during the early stages of the consultation period (which will run until May 2014).

## 4 Recommendations

- 4.1 Members of the Scrutiny Board are asked to consider the information presented and:
  - 4.1.1 Agree any specific comments to be included in a formal consultation response to the proposals under consideration.
  - 4.1.2 Identify any specific matters that require further and/or more detailed scrutiny.

## 5 Background papers<sup>1</sup>

5.1 None used

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.