



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Adult Social Care

Date: 3rd March 2009

Subject: Independence Wellbeing and Choice Inspection Action Plan: January 2009

Electoral Wards Affected:

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board with information relating to the performance of Adult Social Services against the action plan, formulated from the findings of the Independence Wellbeing and Choice review undertaken by CSCI.
- 1.2 On the 3rd of December the Executive Board received the Independence, Wellbeing and Choice report. Associated with the reports is an action plan defining targets for improvement by Adult Social Services in order to resolve the problems raised by the inspector. In response the Executive Board resolved that the report and associated plan be referred to Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) for their oversight of performance against the targets set out in the action plan.
- 1.3 This matter was brought to the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board on the 10th of December 2008 for discussion. The board recommending that the Proposals Working Group (ASC) meet on a monthly basis to monitor overall progress of Adult Social Services performance against the objectives set out in the action plan and report directly to the Scrutiny Board. The Independence Wellbeing and Choice summary and progress reports were brought before the Proposals Working Group on the 25th of February 2009.
- 1.4 Members of the Health Scrutiny Board were contacted and advised that one representative was invited to sit on the Proposals Working Group. The representative attending on the 25th of February 2009 was Cllr Ann Blackburn.

- 1.5 Draft minutes from the Proposals Working Group 25th February 2009 are attached as appendix 1.
- 1.6 The Independence Wellbeing and Choice Summary Report January 2009 is attached as appendix 2.
- 1.7 The Independence Wellbeing and Choice Progress Report January 2009 is attached as appendix 3.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board is asked to note the draft minutes from the Proposals Working Group and the summary and progress reports for January 2009.
- 2.2 In addition, the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board is specifically asked to:
 - 2.2.1 Consider the outcome of the January 2009 summary and progress report, commenting on any specific aspects included.
 - 2.2.2 Determine if there are any specific / further areas that require additional scrutiny by the Proposals Working Group.

3.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.