



Report of Chief Officer of Support & Enablement, Adult Social Care

Meeting: South (Inner) Area Committee

Date: Wednesday 23rd September 2009

Subject: Consultation on day services for older people

Electoral Wards Affected:

Beeston & Holbeck
City & Hunslet
Middleton Park

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Council
Function

Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In

Delegated Executive
Function not available for
Call In Details set out in the
report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents the Area Committee with a copy of the Executive Board Report, appended (appendix A).

Members of the Area Committee are asked to note the report, and consider if they wish to make a response as part of the consultation process, agreed by Executive Board.

Purpose of This Report

1. The Executive Board appended forms the basis of this report and presents the Area Committee with proposals for consultation on day services for older people.
2. The Executive Board report outlines the following:
 - Provides an update on the implementation of Day Services strategy agreed by Executive Board in July 2008
 - Proposals for developing Dementia, day respite and re-ablement services in each of the 3 Area Management Areas.
 - To embark upon a period of consultation with local people on changes to the day services delivered from 6 day centres across the city
3. The Executive Board report agreed a period of consultation. The purpose of this report is to request the Area Committee, if they wish, to contribute to the consultation.

4. Holbeck Day Centre is the only day centre to be affected by the planned consultations in Inner South Leeds. The section below details current usage and alternative services in the area for customers.

Holbeck Day Centre

5. The day centre at Holbeck is a stand-alone, brick built 35 place centre open for 5 days per week. On average, 12 people per day attend but on some days there are considerably fewer. Overall, attendance is 34%. This centre, due to low attendance, is one of the centres, where consultation is underway, over the future provision of this centre.
6. All thirty of the service users who attend Holbeck are having individual meetings as part of the consultation process.
7. It is not anticipated that there will be any difficulties in offering alternative day centre places to each of the people currently attending the centre. There will be no individual who receives a lower level of service, unless this is their preference, if the Holbeck day service were to be re-provided from another day centre.
8. Nearly all the older people who attend Holbeck day centre live within a couple of miles of the centre. Springfield Day Centre is the nearest Adult Social Care day centre. It is on Cottingley Drive (LS11 0JP) and is only a mile and a half from Holbeck Day Centre. People attending Holbeck centre will be able to attend Springfield Day Centre, although other centres will be available if their choice is to go elsewhere. The importance of maintaining friendship groups will be paramount.
9. Holbeck Day Centre occupies a central site. The importance of the regeneration process in Inner South is well recognised. Any comments about the site in the context of the plans for the area and the potential for it to make a contribution would be helpful.
10. We are also working with other voluntary sector service providers who provide activities for older people in the area, but these will complement, and not substitute for existing day services provision.

Recommendations

11. Members of the Area Committee are asked to:
 - Note and consider the report appended
 - Consider any response they wish to make as a part of the consultation

Background Papers

Executive Board Report 22nd July 2009. From Day Centres to Day Services: Responding to the needs and preferences of older people