

## Adult Social Care Plan 2024 - 2027

Date: 17 April 2024

Report of: Director of Adults & Health

Report to: Executive Board

Will the decision be open for call in?  Yes  No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?  Yes  No

### Brief summary

The Adult Social Care Plan 2024 – 2027 outlines the priority areas of service which the Adults and Health Directorate will focus on in the delivery of its statutory duties under the Care Act 2014.

This new three-year plan sits alongside the Council's Better Lives Strategy, which has been shaped by listening to what people have told us is important to them and what matters the most. It supports the implementation of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, the strategy for the health and care system within Leeds.

Once the main plan is agreed, an accessible summary will be presented on the Council's website and will be supported by videos and accessible leaflets.

### Recommendations

The Executive Board is recommended to: -

- a) To note the content of the Leeds Adult Social Care Plan and approve its publication, and the intention of the Director of Adults and Health to publish an accessible summary of this plan.
- b) Note that the Director of Adults and Health is responsible for keeping the Leeds Adult Social Care Plan up to date and for providing regular updates on the delivery of the plan through the Leeds Local Account.

## What is this report about?

- 1 To inform Executive Board of the process of developing this new Adult Social Care Plan 2024 - 2027 for Leeds.
- 2 The Adult Social Care Plan 2024-2027 sets out the vision, priorities, improvement areas and commitments to the people of Leeds.

## What impact will this proposal have?

- 3 This new plan provides a clear summary of the key priorities, improvements and key actions that will be delivered by Adults and Health in partnership with the people who draw on care and support, their families and the staff who support them, and also our partners with who we work to provide services and support to people in an integrated way. Aspects of the delivery of the plan will also require support from and collaboration with other services within the Council including Community Hubs, Welfare and Business Support Teams, taking a Team Leeds approach to delivering this plan and the wider Better Lives Strategy which sets out the Council's commitment to improving the lives of people with care and support needs.
- 4 Once agreed, an accessible version of the plan will be placed on the website and will also be supported with videos and leaflets to enable the plan to be easily accessed. It is intended to be iterative, in that it sets out priority improvement areas, based on our understanding of what people are asking for from Adult Social Care and also based on our performance against national performance frameworks. It includes actions over a three-year period. The actions for 2024-5 are set out at high level. The plan will be monitored to ensure delivery and achievements will be fed back through the Local Account which is published annually.

## How does this proposal impact the three pillars of the Best City Ambition?

Health and Wellbeing

Inclusive Growth

Zero Carbon

- 5 The Adult Social Care Plan supports the ambition of the Leeds Health and Well-being Strategy that 'Leeds will be the best city for health and wellbeing', with a vision that 'Leeds will be a healthy and caring city for all ages, where people who are the poorest improve their health the fastest'.
- 6 The Plan also directly contributes to the Best City Ambition outcomes of enabling disabled residents to remain active and independent, and supporting people with serious mental illness to live a good life in partnership with others.
- 7 The plan demonstrates a commitment to building connections and relationships between people in communities and enabling older people to live a healthy and active life for longer.
- 8 Services are being commissioned increasingly locally, supporting a reduction in travel and fuel consumption.

## What consultation and engagement has taken place?

Wards affected: City Wide Plan

Have ward members been consulted?

Yes

No

- 9 The plan was initiated through a consultation with key partners including Age UK, Carers Leeds to help shape and develop the plan.

10 Executive Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Active Lifestyles has reviewed the draft Adult Social Care Plan and her comments will be incorporated into the final designed document.

### **What are the resource implications?**

11 There are no resource issues attached to publishing the Adult Social Care Plan.

### **What are the key risks and how are they being managed?**

12 The risk of not having an Adult Social Care Plan is that the council is not seen by people and the regulator, CQC, as being open and transparent about the plans in place. In addition, an Adult Social Care Plan is also a required piece of evidence within the Assessment Framework for Local Authority Assurance, which will be used in future CQC inspections.

### **What are the legal implications?**

13 The Care Act 2014 sets out duties on local authorities to deliver a range of offers including, advice guidance and information, prevention services, support and care services and the ability to undertake Care Act Assessments to ensure that people with eligible needs have their needs met safely and well. It links to the Market Position Statement, which was received by Executive Board in March 2024 and which outlines and facilitates a diverse, sustainable high-quality market for our local population, including those who pay for their own care and to promote efficient and effective operation of the adult care and support market as a whole.

## **Options, timescales and measuring success**

### **What other options were considered?**

14 An up-to-date Adult Social Care Plan is a required piece of evidence within the Assessment Framework for Local Authority Assurance, which will be used in future CQC inspections. Therefore, other than how the plan is presented, there are no other options available.

### **How will success be measured?**

15 The plan will be monitored to ensure delivery. We will seek feedback about people's experience of the service delivery through a range of mechanisms about the services that are delivered including through compliments and complaints, the formal ASCOF surveys sent to a sample of people and their carers, through the engagement with the Better Lives Board and our ability to improve performance against the key priorities and their associated performance indicators.

### **What is the timetable and who will be responsible for implementation?**

16 Once approved, the Plan will be published. The Director of Adults and Health will be responsible for its publication.

## **13 Appendices**

- Appendix 1 - Equality Assessment.
- Appendix 2 - Adult Social Care Plan 2024 - 2027

## **14 Background papers**

- None.