

Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening

Directorate: Adult Social Care	Service area: Learning Disability
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1. Title: Learning Disability Day Service Modernisation Programme – Refurbishment of Potternewton Fulfilling Lives Centre.

Is this a:

Strategy / Policy	Service / Function	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If other, please specify

2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

Despite the success of the community base model of service, it is still accepted that some customers still require a more specialised environment to meet their complex needs. All available demographic information, both locally and nationally, points towards a steady increase in the demand for services for customers with complex health needs. This is the result of both an ageing population and improvements in health care for people with learning disabilities.

In each of the three areas of the city it has been the intention to retain one of the existing Fulfilling Lives day centres to provide a specialist base for each area capable of meeting the needs of customers with the most complex care needs.

The plan is to close Potternewton centre in February 2016 to allow extensive re-furbishment works to be undertaken, subject to Executive Board approval. The works will take approximately six months to complete. During this time any customers from Potternewton will be transferred to Ramshead Wood centre for the duration of the works.

On the completion of the works in the autumn of 2016, all customers remaining at Ramshead Wood will transfer permanently to Potternewton.

The estimated cost of the Potternewton refurbishment is £870,000 and is therefore a key decision.

1. Relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

Questions	Yes	No
Is there an existing or likely differential impact for the different equality characteristics?	X	
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns about the policy or proposal?		X
Could the proposal affect how our services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom?	X	

Could the proposal affect our workforce or employment practices?	X	
Does the proposal involve or will it have an impact on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and harassment Advancing equality of opportunity Fostering good relations 	X	
4. Considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration		
<p>- The refurbishment aims to make the day centre fit for purpose to provide a specialist base capable of meeting the needs of customers with the most complex care needs in the North East area of the city.</p> <p>- The scheme includes the creation of Changing Place toilet facilities which will allow people with profound physical health care needs to access the centre and the local community.</p> <p>- The centre is well established and the local community is positively welcoming of our presence.</p> <p>- The refurbishment will drastically improve the physical working environment for both staff and customers at the day centre.</p> <p>- The proposal contributes to the delivery of Adult Social Care's Better Lives Programme which in turn supports the delivery of the Best Council Plan.</p>		
5. If you are not already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you will need to carry out an impact assessment.		
Date to scope and plan your impact assessment:	n/a	
Date to complete your impact assessment	n/a	
Lead person for your impact assessment (Include name and job title)	n/a	
6. Governance, ownership and approval		
Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening		
Name	Job title	Date
Steve Hulme	Chief Officer Resources and Strategy , Adult Social Care	
7. Publishing		
This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given. If you are not carrying out an independent impact assessment the screening document will need to be published.		
Please send a copy to the Equality Team for publishing		
Date screening completed	29.09.15	
If relates to a Key Decision send to Corporate Governance		
Any other decision please send to Equality Team (equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk)		