

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date of Meeting:	26 September 2014
Report of:	Director of Adult Social Care and Independent Living, Brenda Smith
Subject/Title:	Draft Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy
Portfolio Holder:	Cllr Janet Clowes

1.0 Report Summary

- 1.1 The Council is putting residents first and intends to ensure that social care needs are a top priority in Cheshire East Council. This is a strong response to plan actions now that will make a real difference going forward. The commitment to residents first has resulted in a full consideration of the key changes that will make a difference to the outcomes of all people who may need social care support in future. This draft strategy outlines the key actions for 2014/15 that will improve outcomes. It recognises the challenge of an increasing older population and complex needs and will ensure that Council outcomes can be delivered into the future.
- 1.2 The Council intends to have a planned programme of further development of support to adults who may require social care, building on the current best practice locally. We will be seeking innovations and creativity to ensure that independence and choice and control for individuals continue to increase.
- 1.3 This report seeks input from the Committee to enhance the draft Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy at Appendix 1.
- 1.4 The Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy will be a working document that is revised regularly to reflect the progress of plans and identify further stages of these plans. This strategy will be the tool that the Council uses to ensure continuous improvements in support that will result in better outcomes.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Committee examine the amended draft Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy as appended.
- 2.2 That the Committee agree any comments and recommendations it may have for Cabinet.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 As part of the policy development process the Committee is being provided with the opportunity to submit comments and raise any issues it feels need to be taken into consideration by Cabinet when it receives the draft Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy.
- 3.2 The principal aims and benefits that the Commissioning Strategy will realise are to:
- Map the current picture of needs, available support and gaps in support
 - Consider customer insights and feedback and ensure they are driving improvement in support
 - Enable the identification of priority areas of joint commissioning with health, public health, children's services, housing and others
 - Use this analysis to clarify and prioritise the adult social care commissioning annual delivery plan to improve support and address gaps.

4.0 Wards Affected

- 4.1 All Wards

5.0 Local Ward Members

- 5.1 All Ward members

6.0 Policy Implications

- 6.1 This Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy supports The Strategic Direction of Travel for Adult Social Care Services – Promoting Open Choice as agreed at Cabinet of 4 February 2014 and the Strategic Direction of Travel – Informal Support as agreed at Cabinet of 4 February 2014. It will contribute to the delivery of the Cheshire East Council Three Year Plan outcomes:

Outcome 1: Our Local Communities are Strong and Supportive

Outcome 2: Cheshire East has a Growing and Resilient Economy

Outcome 5: Local People Live Well and for Longer

7.0 Financial Implications

- 7.1 None. Any key decisions will be taken through further Cabinet reports as necessary.

8.0 Legal Implications

8.1 None. Any key decisions will be taken through further Cabinet reports as necessary.

9.0 Risk Management

9.1 No identified risks in this overall strategy.

10.0 Access to Information

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Appendix 1 – Draft Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy 2014- 2017