

Cheshire East Council

Cabinet

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Report of:	Mark Palethorpe, Acting Executive Director of People
Subject/Title:	People Live Well for Longer (Adult Social Care and Public Health Three Year) Commissioning Plan
Portfolio Holder:	Cllr Janet Clowes – Adult Social Care and Integration Cllr Liz Wardlow - Health

1. Report Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask Cabinet to endorse the Adult Social Care and Public Health Three Year Commissioning Plan (2017/2020), entitled People Living Well for Longer.
- 1.2 Our vision is for responsive and modern care and support in Cheshire East promoting people's independence, choice and wellbeing. We will, through People *Live Well for Longer*, enable people to live well, prevent ill health and postpone the need for care and support. This puts people in control of their lives so they can pursue opportunities, including education and employment, and realise their full potential.
- 1.3 The three year commissioning plan enables Cheshire East residents as a population, to understand how important resources are in the delivery of preventative change over the next three years, working with a wide range of private and third sector providers, partners from across the health and social care economy, with a specific focus on the voluntary community and faith sector taking a significant role in the delivery of prevention.
- 1.4 Commissioning is the whole process through which Cheshire East Council "As a Commissioning Council" identify and deliver services. It involves ensuring that Cheshire East residents have services in place that are high quality, affordable and value for money.

2. Recommendations

That Cabinet will endorse the People Live Well for Longer (Adult Social Care and Public Health) Three Year Commissioning Plan.

3. Other Options Considered

People Live Well for Longer is a Care Act 2014 requirement under market shaping therefore there is no other option.

4 Reasons for Recommendation

- 4.1 The Directorate requires Cabinet's endorsement to undertake a formal consultation exercise regarding People Live Well for Longer. The Commissioning Plan has been developed to fulfil statutory duties, meet efficiency targets and provide a basis for planning, joint commissioning and delivering Adult Social Care and Public Health preventative services for the next three years.
- 4.2 The views of people who use services and health and social care stakeholders are necessary to inform People Live Well for Longer to determine how best we can collaborate together in the delivery of the plan.

5 Background / Chronology

- 5.1 High-quality, personalised care and support can only be achieved where there is a vibrant, responsive market of service providers with the clear ability to respond to the changing needs of Cheshire East residents. The role of Cheshire East Council is critical in achieving this, through People Live Well for Longer.
- 5.2 The Care Act (2014) introduced new duties for local authorities to facilitate and shape a diverse, sustainable and quality market, emphasising that local authorities have a responsibility for promoting the wellbeing of the whole local population, not just those whose care and support they currently fund.
- 5.3 Post the Care Act (2014), the local authority has been required to move from being an influence on the care market solely through its own purchasing to one where, with providers and people who use services, it seeks to shape, facilitate and support the whole care and support market. This requires a step change in approach for local authorities from a position of 'control' to one of influencing, coproduction and collaboration.
- 5.4 The ambition therefore changed to one that is to influence and drive the pace of change for their whole market, leading to a sustainable and diverse range of care and support providers, continuously improving quality and choice, and delivering better, innovative and cost-effective outcomes that promote the wellbeing of people who need care and support.
- 5.5 This new role underpinned by the Care Act calls for a different understanding of the care and support market therefore the Council is required to set out its adult social care and public health commissioning priorities over the next three years making clear the resources we have available against the changing Cheshire East population of needs.
- 5.6 People Live Well for Longer sets out Cheshire East Council's three years of commissioning priorities supporting the acceleration of adult social care prevention underpinned by clear commissioning principles which support and drive market shaping. The purpose of market shaping is to stimulate a diverse range of appropriate services, both in terms of the types of services and the

types of provider organisation, and ensure the market as a whole remains vibrant and sustainable.

- 5.7 The new approach is based on collaborative commissioning, being an approach that puts people and outcomes at the centre of commissioning and creates stronger relationships between all key stakeholders. It puts greater emphasis on the social costs and benefits of different ways to run services.

6 Wards Affected and Local Ward Members

- 6.1 People Live Well for Longer applies across the whole of Cheshire East Wards.

7 Implications of Recommendation

7.1 Policy Implications

This report for Cabinet outlines the national requirements for the implementation of the Care Act 2014 which puts market development on a statutory footing, supports the delivery of the outcomes set out in the Corporate Plan and empowers all adults to Live Well for Longer.

In this challenging financial context the successful implementation of People Live Well for Longer is a key component to supporting the financial position of the Council in addition to the undoubted benefits that will accrue from the development of a diverse, effective and high quality local adult care market which is geared more towards supporting people to manage their own care through personalisation, early help and prevention of needs escalating, therefore there are no policy implications.

People Live Well for Longer enables the council to respond to the changing needs of people and ensures we can meet the requirements underpinned by the corporate plan outcomes as detailed below:

Outcome 1 – Our local communities are strong and supportive.

- ✓ Individuals and families are self – reliant, taking personal responsibility for their quality of life.
- ✓ Communities are cohesive, with a strong sense of neighbourliness.
- ✓ There is genuine civic pride and mutual respect.
- ✓ Joint commissioning has a significant role in working with communities and a wide range of partners in ensuring people do feel part of the community where they live.

Outcome 2 – Cheshire East has a strong and resilient economy.

- ✓ Care and health work will be sustainably rewarded with recognition, investment, business support and guidance to ensure that good quality care really does pay in Cheshire East.
- ✓ The one in five people who work in care and health feel valued, acting as ambassadors encouraging others to choose care careers.
- ✓ There is a stable and innovative care economy.
- ✓ Care providers are rewarded for delivering person centric outcomes.
- ✓ Joint commissioning has a significant role in ensuring that local plans support a robust and strong care career path that builds the best foundations in the retention of care staff.

Outcome 3 – People have the life skills and education they need in order to thrive.

- ✓ Whilst the focus on the outcome is in supporting children and younger people, we see great importance in adults throughout their life having the opportunity to learn and to continue to develop their life skills through access to supported employment opportunities.
- ✓ Joint Commissioning has a role to play in ensuring people are supported into employment.

Outcome 5 – People Live Well for Longer.

- ✓ Local people have healthily lifestyles and access to good cultural, leisure and recreational facilities. Care services focus on prevention, early interventions and physical health and mental wellbeing.
- ✓ Joint commissioning has a significant role to play in ensuring the market can respond to people's changing needs and expectations.

National Policy - underpinning the development of prevention and community supporting people accessing health and care services including carers are defined under the Health and Social Care Act 2012, The Mental Health Act, The Care Act 2014 and Transforming the NHS.

Partnership Policy is being developed with the South Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group through the Connecting Care Programme and Eastern Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group through the Caring Together Programme with a clear focus on prevention and community integration.

7.2 Legal Implications

It is a Care Act 2014 requirement that local authorities provide or arrange for the provision of services, facilities or resources, or take other steps, which it considers will contribute to the prevention or delay the developing by adults in its area of needs for care and support and which will reduce the needs for care and support of adults in its area. This duty also applies to carers in its area.

If the Council does not have a plan in place to meet this statutory duty it is at significant risk of legal challenge.

7.3 Financial Implications

The scale of the financial challenges that the Council faces means that we need to reduce the transactional costs for the Council and the sector and bring even greater focus on efficiency, value for money, clear and measurable outcomes and partnership working.

People Live Well for Longer sets out the financial position regarding Adult Social Care funds now and looking forward against the Council's increased demand with a key focus on working in a Pan Cheshire way drawing both resources and skills together in the design of services looking forward.

7.4 Equality Implications

In making its decision, officers must have regard the public sector equality duty (section 149 Equality Act 2010), which places a duty on the Council, in the exercise of its functions, to have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation or other prohibited conduct; advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a "protected characteristic" and those who do not, and foster good relations between persons who share a "protected characteristic" and those who do not.

There are no specific equality implications and due regard has been taken to our Equality Duty.

The scope of People Live Well for Longer covers how we will ensure that the views of groups with protected characteristics are afforded due regard in influencing strategy, policy and service delivery.

7.5 Rural Community Implications

People Live Well for Longer and its recommendations of this report have a significant positive impact on rural communities and are intended to raise standards of community support across partners and when working with a wide range of provider to address any gaps in market.

7.6 Human Resources Implications

There are no specific HR implications.

7.6 Public Health Implications

Public Health were consulted in the development of People Live Well for Longer and will influence commissioning plans by the best use of joint commissioning resources and in continuing to utilise the joint strategic needs assessment.

7.7 Other Implications

An underpinning purpose of the commissioning plan will be to review current commissioning services and some council internal services.

It recognises that while the council and our partners need to adjust to a world where public funding is reducing dramatically we need to develop a stronger working relationship with the third sector and wider community assets across Cheshire East to meet the significant challenges that we face.

8 Risk Management

8.1 A comprehensive adult social care and commissioning with care providers Risk Assessment has been undertaken and will continue to be reviewed.

8.2 Consultation Next steps

The document will go through the following consultation processes:

Corporate Leadership Team (CLT)	10 th May 2017
Informal Cabinet	16 th May 2017
Consultation	19 th & 21 st June 2017
Health, Social Care and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee	15 th June 2017
Health and Wellbeing Board	25 th July 2017
Cabinet	12 th September 2017

9 Access to Information/Bibliography

Appendix 1 – People Live Well for Longer – Adult Social Care and Public Health Three Year Commissioning Plan.

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