

Report to: **Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee**

Date: **10 June 2010**

By: **Director of Adult Social Care**

Title of report: **Joint Learning Disability Commissioning Strategy update**

Purpose of report: **To update Scrutiny with respect to the outcomes of the first Learning Disability Joint Commissioning Strategy (2007-2010) and plans and priorities for a new Strategy (2010 – 2013).**

RECOMMENDATION

The Scrutiny Committee is recommended to consider information relating to the outcomes of “Strong Voices, Big Ideas” the Learning Disability Joint Commissioning Strategy 2007 - 2010 and the plans and priorities for the new Strategy 2010 – 2013.

1. Financial Appraisal

1.1 Any financial implications will be managed within existing resources.

2. Background and Supporting Information

2.1 The first Learning Disability Joint Commission Strategy, Strong Voices Big Ideas, was published in July 2007. Much has been achieved since, including:

- A stronger Learning Disability Partnership Board
- Significant improvements in the Involvement of people with learning disabilities
- Significant increases in the numbers of people with learning disabilities using self directed support
- Progress improving health services for people with learning disabilities
- Higher numbers of people living in ‘settled accommodation’ Increases
- Significant improvements in support available to help people with learning disabilities into employment

2.2 The development of a new 3 year strategy is now underway. The new Strategy (2010 -2013) will respond to the needs and views of local people with learning disabilities, their carers and the views of our wider stakeholders. It will also respond to the key policy steers, particularly those in Valuing People Now (2009) and Putting People First (2007). In doing so, the new strategy will not outline a radical new direction for commissioning and service development. The keys aims will remain to work closely with all our partners and other government agencies to develop high quality health and social care services that:

- enable people to exercise more choice and control over their support and lives;
- support people to live independently and safely in their own homes and communities;
- effectively support carers;
- provide support to those people in greatest and most urgent need; and
- provide the best possible value for money.

2.3 Delivering these objectives within a difficult current and future financial climate will present a number of challenges. A clear Joint Commissioning Strategy will be critical in meeting them. In particular, the Increasing needs of the local population, particularly older people and young people with

complex needs, the increasing costs of services in the market and rising expectations of our stakeholders.

2.4 The new Joint Commissioning Plan will include a detailed Action Plan that will set out how we will work with our partners over the next 3 years to deliver our plans and priorities. It will describe the current and future needs of local people with learning disabilities and their carers and will clearly communicate our vision and priorities, making explicit can be delivered within specific timeframes and milestones.

2.5 Consultation and engagement with stakeholders is already underway. A copy of the key note presentation that is being used to support engagement with stakeholders during this process is attached at Appendix 1. A Commissioning Strategy document will be produced in July 2010. Publication of the draft Strategy will be followed by a further 3 month period of consultation.

3. Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendation

3.1 The implementation of the new Joint Learning Disability Commissioning Strategy will be taken forward by the Department and NHS colleagues, together with the Learning Disability Partnership Board, and community partners. Regular reports on implementation will continue to be made to the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee.

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Local Member(s): All

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS: None



Stronger Voices Bigger Ideas

Learning Disability Joint Commissioning Plan

Learning Disability Commissioning Team

Stronger Voices Bigger Ideas 2010 - 2013



- We have listened to people with learning disabilities
- We have listened to our partners
- We have looked at Valuing People Now and Putting People First and ...

A “re-fresh” did not seem enough !

In this presentation we will cover..



- What has been achieved since 2007
- The challenges for 2010 -2013
- Plans for improving services and support for people with learning disabilities and their families
- Say how you can get involved

Some of our achievements



- A Strong Partnership Board



- Involvement of people with learning disabilities



- Partnerships with providers of housing and support

Some of our achievements



- Total Communication resources



- Hate Crime awareness



- Progress with health checks and GP services

Some of our achievements



- 60 people in paid jobs

- 74 people with personal budgets or direct payments



- 670 people living in settled accommodation



- 500 Health Action Plans completed

The challenges ahead ..



- 633 people living in residential care



- Too few paid work opportunities
- Reducing health inequalities



- Finding good support for young people with high support needs and older people with learning disabilities

Challenges- Resources



- Budgets will not be bigger
- Contracts and care packages will be reviewed
- A bigger share for supporting older people
- A bigger share for community services
- Better commissioning with the voluntary and independent sector

Messages from local people



People have said they want:

- Jobs
- Friends and relationships
- To feel safe in the community
- Better support with health

- Better information - Choices not options

- Better lives, not more services

Messages from the Government



- Wider choice of housing options

- Paid employment



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- Self Directed Support

- Annual Health checks for everyone that wants one



- Health and Social Care working together

Our ideas: Choice and control



- Real improvements in Person Centred Planning
- Build on involvement with all stakeholders
- Personal budgets for people with learning disabilities
- Better information about support and options (website)

Our ideas: Accommodation



- New supported living options...
- ...but limits to personal choice
- Improved access to housing and support
- No new residential care services

Our ideas:

Safety and independence



- A new Transition Service
- Better support for older people with learning disabilities and their carers
- A Safeguarding awareness campaign

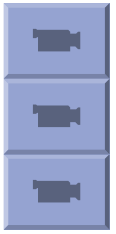


Our ideas: Community



- More jobs in the public sector
- Investment in employment support (e.g. ChoicES, LDDF)
- Improvements to day opportunities
- LDPB relationships project

Our ideas: Health



- Check and improve the quality of Health Action Plans



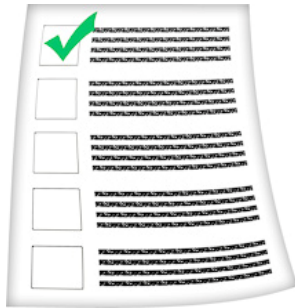
- A Big Health Check every year

- Improvements to specialist health care



- Transition Health Plans for every young person

Our ideas: Staff and Quality



- Improve staff training around involvement, supported living, employment and self directed support
- Set up an LDPB Quality Partnership
- Better commissioning and quality in day opportunities and community services
- Improve equality and diversity in support and involvement

Next steps:



- More meetings with stakeholders during May and June
- A draft document produced in July
- An action plan with good targets
- A period for consultation