

To the Chair and Members of the HEALTH AND WELL BEING BOARD

PROGRESS RELATING TO COMPLEX LEARNING DISABILITIES (POST WINTERBOURNE)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. A verbal update will be provided to the Health and Wellbeing Board by the Council's Director of Adults and Communities on progress regarding improvements in provision for people with complex learning disabilities post Winterbourne. The update will include reviews of people in high cost placements, what provision currently exists in Doncaster, current concerns and the number of safeguarding cases.

EXEMPT REPORT

2. NA

RECOMMENDATIONS

3. It is recommended that the Health and Well Being board receives and takes note of the update provided by the Director.

BACKGROUND

- 4. Following a Panorama report regarding abuse of adults with learning disabilities and autism at Winterbourne View, subsequent convictions and then closure of this hospital, a number of reports and a Joint Concordat were agreed and published. The Joint Concordat generated a national programme, the Winterbourne View Joint Improvement Project (WVJIP) to support local areas to deliver the improvements in services required for this group of people.
- 5. People with the most complex and challenging behaviours are sometimes placed in assessment and treatment units or low secure hospital provision, often a long way from home. Each area had to provide an action plan related to the Joint Concordat to ensure that planning and support for this group of people is appropriate. This requires that all those placed in inpatient beds, wherever located are reviewed and wherever appropriate supported to live as independently as possible in their local area. This may require a range of services to meet need both on a day to day to basis, to support family carers and front line staff as well as offering intensive advice and support to prevent breakdown of local arrangements.

- 6. A local group has been established and is developing an action plan. Recent feedback has been given to the WVJIP as part of a national stocktake, signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 7. Prior to the requirements post Winterbourne a specialist placements review had already been initiated in Doncaster as part of efforts to ensure high quality care and support for some of the most vulnerable and complex people receiving support.
- 8. The project sought to ensure that people in specialist residential placements, which are small in number but expensive, were receiving appropriate support at reasonable prices. This is a joint project with Doncaster CCG as many of the placements are made jointly or may move over time between agencies.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9. There are no specific options to consider within this report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

10. N/A

IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY PRIORITIES

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	Priority Outcome	Implications of this initiative
1.	Doncaster's economy develops and thrives, underpinned by effective education and skills	
2.	Children are safe	
3.	Stronger families and stronger communities	
4.	Modernised and sustainable Adult Social Care Services with increased choice and control	Improvements in provision for people with complex learning disabilities makes a significant contribution to this priority outcome.
5.	Effective arrangements are in place to deliver a clean, safe and attractive local environment	
6.	The Council is operating effectively, with change embedded and sustained with robust plans in place to operate within future resource allocations	

RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS

12. There are no specific risks to consider within this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

13. There are no specific legal implications to consider within this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

14. There are no specific financial implications to consider within this report.

CONSULTATION

15. This report has significant implications in terms of the following:

Procurement	Crime & Disorder
Human Resources	Human Rights & Equalities
Buildings, Land and Occupiers	Environment & Sustainability
ICT	Capital Programme

BACKGROUND PAPERS

16. None.

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