

Equality Impact Assessment



Name of project/proposal

Maintaining Continuity of Service at Jacob's Lodge respite unit

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Purpose for project/proposal

To seek Executive Member approval for the Council to directly provide respite care at Jacob's Lodge, Totton, currently provided by Southern Health Foundation NHS Trust, because the NHS Trust's trading arm, TQ21, wish to withdraw from the service.

Consultation

Has a consultation been carried out?

No

Jacobs Lodge building is owned by Hampshire County Council and is purpose built for people with complex needs including having good access for specialist wheelchairs, and room for the use of hoists and specialist beds. It has 6 beds and provides respite care to people with severe learning disabilities.

There are no other local respite services in the New Forest area for people with profound and multiple learning disabilities. Learning Disability In-House respite services are predicted to reach 90% capacity in 2015/16 and there is therefore insufficient capacity within In- House units to re-provide the 1771 bed nights commissioned last year by the Council at Jacobs Lodge.

Statutory considerations

Impact

Age	Low
Disability	High
Sexual orientation	None
Race	None
Religion and belief	None
Gender reassignment	None
Sex	None
Marriage and civil partnership	None
Pregnancy and maternity	None
Other policy considerations	
Poverty	None
Rurality	Medium
Other factors	Nothing selected

Geographical impact

All Hampshire

Have you identified any medium or high impact?*

Yes

No

Equality statement

The proposal is for Hampshire County Council to directly provide respite services for people with severe learning disabilities at Jacob's Lodge in Totton.

This proposal is in response to the decision by TQ21 to withdraw from the provision of respite services at Jacob's Lodge.

This proposal will ensure continuity of these services which support vulnerable adults with severe learning disabilities and their families and carers. The people who will continue to be able to access this service, whilst drawn from across Hampshire, are largely from the New Forest and surrounding areas. This service is used by approximately 50 people.

Date to review actions

08 Jan 2016

Final decision date

Final decision date due
Decision to be made by

24 Jun 2015
Executive Member