

REPORT OF THE
Executive Member for Adult Social Care

PART II

161. DEMENTIA ADVISOR SERVICE IN HAMPSHIRE

1. On 24 June 2015, the Executive Member for Adult Social Care gave approval to implement a single tender contract for the continued delivery of the Dementia Advisor Service across Hampshire by the current service providers, to commence on 1 October 2015 with a total contract value of up to £523,499.

2. The Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health previously gave approval on 27 January 2015 to put in place a contract on basis of single tender for one year, for the continued delivery of the Dementia Advisor Service across Hampshire by the current service providers, to commence on 1 October 2015 with an annual contract value of up to £377,249.

3. Since Executive Member approval on the 1 January 2015, additional funding has been identified by the five Clinical Commissioning Groups in Hampshire to invest further in the service, culminating in the new total contract value of £523,499.

4. The Dementia Advisor Service will support the delivery of the Joint Hampshire Commissioning Strategy for Older People's Mental Health. The Service provides a mechanism for facilitating access to appropriate care, support, information and advice.

162. MAINTAINING CONTINUITY OF SERVICE AT JACOBS LODGE RESPITE UNIT

1. On 24 June 2015, the Executive Member for Adult Social Care gave approval for the County Council to take over direct provision of respite care at Jacobs Lodge Respite Unit from August 2015, for people with complex needs, following the withdrawal of provision by Southern Health Foundation Trust.

2. Jacobs Lodge is owned by Hampshire County Council and is purpose built for people with profound and multiple learning disabilities, and also supports carers and assists to prevent breakdown of care provided by carers. It is an important and unique service in the New Forest area

3. Hampshire County Council is the biggest provider of respite services for people with profound learning disabilities and complex needs in Hampshire. The decision by the Executive Member was taken in order to maintain respite services at Jacobs Lodge with minimum disruption to families and staff and to ensure the continuation of service provision in this area of the County.

163. SUPPORTING PEOPLE: REMODELLING SOCIAL INCLUSION SERVICES

1. On 24 June 2015, the Executive Member for Adult Social Care approved the initiation of a multiple element tendering process for the provision of support services, in line with a new model for social inclusion to provide support for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. In conjunction with the Children's Services

department, the decision included specific provision for 16-21 year olds in East Hampshire. Further elements of the decision make provision to support a specialist veteran's service, Winchester Churches Night Shelter, and to go out to tender to provide specialist accommodation for ex-offenders. A decision to award a grant to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council enables them to commission social inclusion services in their area.

2. Prevention and Early Intervention services, such as Social Inclusion services within the Supporting People programme, have always been integral to Adult Services' strategy. These services deliver interventions for people who may not meet eligibility criteria for social care, to reduce the levels of need within non-statutory cohorts, thereby reducing pressure on Hampshire County Council and wider statutory services.

3. The service cluster for people considered to be socially excluded includes provision for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, services for younger people in crisis, for ex-offenders, and for people with mental health problems. Following review and reorganisation, the services within the socially excluded cluster include services for people who are homeless or threatened with homelessness (primarily direct access accommodation based services, supported housing and community support); a small number of specialist services for young parents and families, a specialist service for veterans of Her Majesty's Armed Forces and services for ex-offenders. These services have been renamed Social Inclusion services to reflect the wider outcomes that they deliver. The Adult Services department has been working with key stakeholders since July 2014 to establish an appropriate model and commissioning approach that would, as far as practicably possible, seek to mitigate negative impacts of spending reductions while meeting key strategic principles for the cluster.

Further details on these items can be found at www.hants.gov.uk/councilmeetings.htm by typing in the relevant reference number:

- Dementia Advisor Service in Hampshire (6653)
- Maintaining Continuity of Service at Jacobs Lodge Respite Unit (6708)
- Supporting People: Remodelling Social Inclusion Services (6652)

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