

Equality Impact Assessment



Name of project/proposal

Learning Disability Accommodation Model - Deregistered Care Homes

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Purpose for project/proposal

Residential Care Home providers can choose to deregister their care homes - this means that the provision ceases to be a care setting registered with the Care Quality Commission. Individuals living in the property will have a tenancy issued by a landlord which signifies their right to occupy the accommodation. Care and support will be provided according to individual need within the property. Hampshire County Council can support this process to encourage the development of more supported living for people with a learning disability. Supported Living is recognised as a more empowering model of providing accommodation and support to people with a learning disability, as individuals have more access to their own resources and more choice about how they live their lives.

Consultation

Has a consultation been carried out?

Yes

Consultation has been carried out with residential care providers through Provider engagement events. Many of the residential care providers recognise that Supported Living is a more empowering model of support for individuals and are engaging with Hampshire regarding the de-registration of their residential services. Some residential providers do not believe that providing their services as supported living is a model that will work for them or their residents. Consultation will be carried out with individual residents and their families on a case by case basis with properties that are put forward for deregistration.

Statutory considerations

Impact

Age	None
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	Medium
Rurality	None
Other factors	None
If other please describe	

Geographical impact

All Hampshire

Have you identified any medium or high impact?*

Yes

No

Equality statement

Disability - the deregistration of residential care homes will have a positive impact on people with a learning disability. It increases the security of their tenure in the accommodation as individuals will have a tenancy agreement underpinning their occupation of the accommodation. The process of deregistration includes training for staff in person centred approaches and therefore changes the approach of staff to individuals to be more empowering. When individuals become tenants they have greater opportunities to become active citizens with a greater role and stake in their local community.

Poverty - People with a learning disability living in residential care have access to very little of their own money, once a care home is deregistered individuals living in it are able to access their full benefit entitlements.

Date to review actions

18 May 2017

Final decision date

Final decision date due
Decision to be made by

17 May 2016
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