



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL SOCIAL SERVICES HEALTH & HOUSING CABINET BOARD

12th March 2020

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF ADULT SERVICES – A. THOMAS

Matter for Monitoring

Wards Affected: All wards

Annual Update on the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan

Purpose of the Report:

To present the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan Annual Update (the "Annual Update") (Appendix 1).

Executive Summary:

Each year the Council produces an annual update on the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan 2017/20 ("the Plan") (Background Paper 1).

The Annual Update provides an overview of service developments in 2019/20, activity and outcomes data, needs analysis, information from consultation exercises and the commissioning priorities for 20/21.

Background:

Each year the Council develops an Annual Update on the Plan (please see Background Paper 2 and 3). This Annual Update provides detail

on the current supply of Supporting People Programme Grant (“SPPG”) funded services in the county borough as well as analysis of needs and outcome statistics.

The document also provides key partners and stakeholders with details of the Councils strategic direction in regards to planned commissioning activity for the following year. Commissioning priorities for 2020/21 include the recommissioning of Mental Health and Domestic Abuse services (permission to undertake this work was granted by Members in March 2018, please see Background Paper 2).

In April 2019, SPPG, Homelessness Prevention Funding and Rent Smart Wales Enforcement Grant merged into a single Housing Support Grant (“HSG”).

In line with Welsh Government (“WG”) requirements, a new HSG commissioning strategy will be developed in 2020. This commissioning strategy will set out the strategic direction in regards to how Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council (the “Council”) will achieve the HSG aims. A draft commissioning strategy will be presented to Members later in the year, with a request to undertake formal public consultation on the document.

Financial Impacts:

At the time of writing this report, WG have confirmed the Council’s indicative HSG settlement for 2020/21 as being £4,937,993. This is a standstill settlement from 2019/20.

Taking forward the commissioning priorities within the Annual Update will be in line with the available grant. The procurement processes will ensure that the Council contracts with providers that are able to offer best value for money and that the total HSG spend will not exceed that available to the Council.

Integrated Impact Assessment:

There is no requirement to undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment as this report is for monitoring / information purposes.

Individual Integrated Impact Assessments will be undertaken as part of any commissioning activity linked to the Plan. Information from these assessments will inform the development and commissioning of services.

Valleys Communities Impacts:

The recommendation has no spatial impact on our valleys communities and does not link to the impacts identified in the Cabinet's response to the Council's Task and Finish Group's recommendations on the Valleys.

Workforce Impacts:

The contents of this report do not have any impact on the Council's workforce.

Legal Impacts:

The contents of this report do not have any legal impacts.

Risk Management Impacts:

The Annual Update in itself does not have any risk management impacts, however the services purchased from SHG will have the following impacts:

Crime and Disorder Impacts:

Activity outlined in the Plan should have a positive effect on the below Crime and Disorder Impacts:

- a) Crime and disorder in its area (including anti-social and other behaviour adversely affecting the local environment); and
- b) The misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in its area; and
- c) Re-offending the area

This is due to the Plan supporting achievement of the WG outcome measure of 'promoting personal and community safety'.

Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Impacts:

Activity outlined in the Plan should have a positive effect on the below Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Impacts:

Section 2(1) of the Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015 introduced a general duty where a person exercising relevant functions must have regard (along with all other relevant matters) to the need to remove or minimise any factors which —

- (a) increase the risk of violence against women and girls, or
- (b) exacerbate the impact of such violence on victims.

This is because a number of services purchased with HSG relate to the provision of domestic abuse support.

Consultation:

There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

Recommendations:

To note the contents of the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan Annual Update.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

Not applicable.

Implementation of Decision:

No decision required.

Appendices:

Appendix 1: Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan Annual Update

List of Background Papers:

Background Paper 1: Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan:
https://www.neathporttalbothousing.co.uk/uploads/docs/docs_1487070669.pdf

Background Paper 2: 2018/19 Contractual Arrangements for the Supporting People Programme Grant
<http://modern.gov.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=322&MId=7624> (agenda item 11, restricted paper)

Background Paper 3: Annual Update on the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan and 2019/20 Contractual Arrangements for the Supporting People Programme Grant
<http://modern.gov.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=322&MId=8358> (agenda item 8, restricted paper)

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