

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

1 April 2021

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 is required to produce an annual update on the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan 2017/20 ("the Plan") (Background Paper 1).

The Annual Update provides a summary extension and further update of the 3-year LCP for 2017-20 and so should be read in conjunction with that and its Annual updates for 2018, 2019 and 2020 (Background Papers 2, 3 and 4).

Background

Each year the Council develops an Annual Update on the Plan. This Annual Update provides detail on the impact of the Housing Support Grant ("HSG"), which was formally the Supporting People Programme Grant ("SPPG").

The previous Plan ended in 2020; however, due to COVID-19, Welsh Government ("WG") has extended the timescale for Local Authorities to publish their new strategy until December 2021.

The HSG 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

There are no financial impacts arising from the Annual Update.

At the time of writing this report, WG have confirmed the Council's indicative HSG settlement for 2020/21 as being £6,496,185.63. This is an increase of approximately £1.55M against the 2020/21 allocation.

Taking forward the commissioning priorities within the Annual Update will be in line with the available grant once confirmed.

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'.

<u>Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence</u> 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 Housing Support Grant Commissioning Plan Annual Update.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

Not applicable.

Implementation of Decision

No decision required.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Housing Support Grant Commissioning Plan Annual Update

List of Background Papers

Background Paper 1: Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan: https://www.neathporttalbothousing.co.uk/uploads/docs/docs_148707 0669.pdf

Background Paper 2: 2018/19 Contractual Armaments for the Supporting People Programme Grant http://moderngov.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=322&Mld=76 (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://moderngov.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=322&Mld=83 (agenda item 8, restricted paper)

Background Paper 4: Annual Update on the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan 2020/21 http://moderngov.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=322&Mld=88 (agenda item 8)

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