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Cabinet Member for Adult Services

Name of Cabinet Member:

Cabinet Member for Adult Services – Councillor M. Mutton

Director Approving Submission of the report:

Deputy Chief Executive (People)

Ward(s) affected:

All

Title: Market Development Plan: Learning Disability and Autism

Is this a key decision?

No. Although this matter affects all wards in the City, the impact is not expected to be significant

Executive Summary:

Communicating effectively with the market is a key part of market development so that providers are aware of both the challenges facing Adult Social Care and some of the key areas where needs analysis signals the requirement for services to be improved.

Coventry City Council have produced a Market Development Plan (MDP) to inform the development of services for adults with learning disabilities and/or autism.

The plan builds upon the Market Position Statement issued in October 2018 and outlines to social care providers the expected requirements for this client group including the need for care and support to be developed. The Market Development Plan also outlines developments that are already planned and when they are expected to come to fruition.

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member is requested to:

- Approve the Market Development Plan for adults with Learning Disabilities and or autism

List of Appendices included:

Market Development Plan Learning Disabilities and Autism

Background papers:

None

Other useful documents

None

Has it been or will it be considered by Scrutiny?

No

Has it been or will it be considered by any other Council Committee, Advisory Panel or other body?

No

Will this report go to Council?

No

Report title: Market Development Plan: learning Disability and Autism

1. Context (or background)

- 1.1 Councils have a duty to shape social care provider markets to ensure that a range of good quality provision is in place to meet the social care needs of individuals including adults with learning disability and /or autism. This is achieved through good commissioning practice which ensures that providers are aware of the likely type and volume of support that is likely to be required both now and in the foreseeable future.
- 1.2 Market Position Statements (MPS) are a tool for providing this communication. In recognising their importance the production of a Market Position Statement (MPS) for Adult Social Care is a requirement as part of the Care Act (2014).
- 1.3 Cabinet Member for Adult Services approved the Market Position Statement in October 2018.
- 1.4 The Market Position Statement includes:
 - A statement to the market that focuses on the priorities for both health and social care including joint commissioning, services to support reablement/enablement and community prevention
 - Contextual information that enables providers to understand main areas of change and the commissioning focus for the future in the light of this
 - A greater emphasis on informing the market of care need, demand and supply based on a data and intelligence
 - Data and evidence that creates a clear link with the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment in relation to a knowledge of the prevalence of health conditions that contribute to wider social care and community preventative treatments
 - A set of clear commissioning intentions that articulates both imminent change in configuring/purchasing provision and future for shaping adult social care and support service
- 1.5 Following the publication of Coventry's MPS the intention has been to produce a series of Market Development Plans (MDP) to provide the Market with additional information about population needs, current developments and gaps in provision. The current plan is in relation to Learning disabilities and/or autism.
- 1.6 The Learning Disability/Autism MDP (appendix 2) is intended to achieve several objectives including:
 - Reiteration and building upon information about need and demand from the MPS
 - Reminds providers of the approach to adult social care and support in Coventry and its main objectives
 - Explains development schemes already in the pipeline
 - Describes the likely residual demand that will require provision in the future

2. Options considered and recommended proposal

- 2.1 **Recommended Option:** A legal requirement of the Care Act (2014) is to shape and develop the social care market. Section 4.33 of the statutory guidance states that local authorities must work to develop markets for care and support whilst recognising that individual providers may exit the market from time to time. The requirement also requires

ensuring that the overall provision of services remains healthy in terms of sufficiency of provision of care and support needed to meet expected needs.

2.2 There are not considered to be any viable alternative options to meet the requirements

3. Results of consultation undertaken

3.1 The content of the Market Development Plan was shared with providers at an Innovation event in July 2019. Feedback from the provider sector was positive as they welcome a document that builds on the MPS and gives more detail on demand to inform their investment decisions and provides confirmation that Coventry remains a place to deliver good quality sustainable developments.

4. Timetable for implementing this decision

4.1 Should Cabinet Member endorse the use of the Market Development Plan it will be used with immediate effect

5. Comments from Executive Director, Resources

5.1 Financial implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report or approach. Any care provision purchased in response to this plan will be met from existing budgets.

5.2 Legal implications

The Care Act (2014) statutory guidance states that 'high quality, personalised Care and Support can only be achieved where there is a vibrant, responsive market of services available'. The Local Authority role is seen as critical and under section 5 of the Care Act, *"the local authority must promote the efficient and effective operation of a market in services for meeting care and support needs with a view to ensuring that any person in its area wishing to access services in the market"*.

6. Other implications

6.1 How will this contribute to the Council Plan (www.coventry.gov.uk/councilplan/)?

This proposal would contribute to the Council's key objectives through a contribution to protecting our most vulnerable people.

6.2 How is risk being managed?

There are no identified risks with the approach outlined.

6.3 What is the impact on the organisation?

The MDP is an approach to signalling to the care market what services need to be developed to meet the social care needs of Coventry citizens and assists in meeting the Council's responsibilities in relation to market development

6.4 Equalities / EIA

Not applicable

6.5 Implications for (or impact on) the environment

None

6.6 Implications for partner organisations?

Coventry and Rugby Clinical Commissioning Group benefits from the joint approach to market development.

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Market Development Plan Learning Disability and Autism