

<p>Council – 24 June 2025</p> <p>Recommendation from Cabinet</p> <p>10 June 2025</p>

Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 10 June 2025

Present:

Members: Councillor G Duggins (Chair)
Councillor N Akhtar
Councillor L Bigham
Councillor R Brown
Councillor K Caan
Councillor P Hetherton
Councillor AS Khan
Councillor J O'Boyle
Councillor P Seaman
Councillor K Sandhu

Non-Voting Deputy
Cabinet Members: Councillor S Agboola
Councillor P Akhtar
Councillor B Christopher
Councillor G Hayre
Councillor S Nazir
Councillor D Toulson

Non-Voting Opposition
Members: Councillor E Reeves
Councillor G Ridley

Other Non-Voting
Members: Councillor G Lloyd

Employees (by Service
Area):

Chief Executive J Nugent (Chief Executive)

Adults and Housing P Fahy (Director)

Children and Education
Services R Sugars, C Webb

Finance and Resources	B Hastie (Director)
Law and Governance	J Newman (Director), S Bennett
Regeneration and Economy	J Hunt, D Nuttall
Apologies:	Councillors L Kelly, R Lakha, P Male, R Singh

Public Business

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests.

3. Adult Social Care Five Year Plan 2025-2030

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Adult Care, Health and Housing, appended to which was the Adult Social Care Five Year Plan 2025-2030. The report outlined how Adult Social Care provides essential support to people with care and support needs and their unpaid carers and is a significant area of economic activity with an annual local authority net spend for 2024/25 of approximately £115m and in the region of 9,500 people employed within the sector in Coventry.

The report indicated that Council receives in excess of 10,000 requests for support each year as well as over 6,000 safeguarding concerns. At the end of March 2025, approximately 4,000 people were being supported per week with a range of care and support needs across physical disabilities, learning disabilities/autism, sensory impairments and mental ill health. This support is provided on a short term, or one-off basis or ongoing dependant on the circumstances of the individual. Support to unpaid carers so that they can continue caring is also part of the Council's core purpose and approximately 2,000 people are supported by the Council per annum in their caring role.

Adult Social Care is always evolving and each year sees different issues arise and new challenges which the Council both needs to predict where possible and then respond to. Key performance and activity has been captured within the Annual Report and Self-Assessment but now a 'Five Year Plan' has also been produced in order to set out clearly what the main areas of focus for Adult Social Care will be until 2030.

Within the Five Year Plan, the following six areas of focus are identified as follows:

- Personalising the experience of care and support
- Always improving
- New models of support
- Prevention
- Use of technology
- Integrated care with health partners

These six areas will provide the umbrella focus for the Plan with specific projects under each area being identified at Plan inception and revised at approximately mid-point. The reason specific projects have not yet been set for the five year period is that there is currently a period of change related to both structural changes in National Health Service England (NHSE)/Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) plus the Casey review, which is an independent government commission into Adult Social Care. These changes will inevitably impact on Adult Social Care and make specific long term planning a challenge so there is a need to retain the flexibility to respond.

RESOLVED that Cabinet recommends that Council endorses the Adult Social Care Five Year Plan 2025-2030 as appended to the report.