

REPORT TO: Executive Board

DATE: 16 October 2014

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, Communities

PORTFOLIO: Health and Wellbeing

SUBJECT: Choice, Control, Inclusion - Commissioning Strategy for Adults of Working Age living with physical disability in Halton 2014-2019

WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To seek Executive Board approval for adoption and implementation of Choice, Control, Inclusion - Commissioning Strategy for Adults of Working Age living with physical disability in Halton 2014-2019 and supporting evidence paper.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That Executive Board endorse Choice, Control, Inclusion - Commissioning Strategy for Adults of Working Age living with physical disability in Halton 2014-2019.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Fulfilling Potential: Making it Happen (DWP 2013) sets out the Governments strategy for those living with disability. Emphasis is placed on delivery through partnership across the public and private sector with disabled people and their representative organisations to overcome barriers faced and promote new ways of working to deliver meaningful outcomes.

3.2 In Halton the number of working age adults reporting that their activity is limited by illness or health problems is significantly higher than nationally. Projections show that numbers of people living with more than one long term condition will increase and potentially this will limit the activity of more people.

3.3 'Choice, Control and Inclusion' takes an integrated approach to improving the health and wellbeing of disabled adults aged 18-64 in the Borough. The strategy brings together commissioning intentions of Public Health, the Clinical Commissioning Group, and Adult Social Care. This holistic approach will strengthen informal support and through effective prevention and early intervention minimise the need for more formal care.

- 3.4 This strategy does not include the needs of disabled children or those aged 65+. The former are overseen by Halton Children's Trust which sets integrated commissioning as one of its priorities. There are a number of strategies setting out needs and commissioning intentions for older people including Dementia Strategy, Stroke Strategy, Prevention and Early Intervention Strategy.
- 3.5 Choice, Control and Inclusion has been informed by local people through engagement events, open consultation with the public, health and social care providers, clinicians and other professionals. Discussions have also taken place with local disabled people and Halton Disability Partnership.
- 3.6 The Strategy has been considered by the Health Policy and Performance Board at the September 2014 meeting.
- 3.7 'Choice, Control and Inclusion' and the included action plan adopt the three national themes of :
- i. Early Intervention
 - ii. Choice and Control
 - iii. Inclusive Communities

The priorities for 2014-19 have been developed with disabled people:

Priority 1 - Promote the social model of disability to overcome the barriers faced by disabled people and build responsive, inclusive communities

Priority 2 - Support disabled people to have choice and control in their lives

Priority 3 - Improve outcomes for people living with disabilities and their carers through high quality, personalised services

Priority 4 - Recognise the expertise and assets of disabled people and use these to improve services

Priority 5 - Ensure efficient and effective use of resources

- 3.8 Halton's Better Care Board will oversee progress in implementing 'Choice, Control and Inclusion' and is accountable to the Council's Executive Board and NHS Halton Clinical Commissioning Group's Governing Body.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 This strategy will support progress in local delivery of Fulfilling Potential and the three national outcomes frameworks for the NHS,

Adult Social Care and Public Health.

5.0 **OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 The action plan within the strategy contains a summary of resources required. These are primarily investment of staff time to effect the change or redirection of current investment to achieve service redesign. This is deliverable within existing staffing structures and funding levels; however the need to make efficiency savings across the system may impact on successful delivery of the strategy.

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**

The strategy considers the needs of young disabled people in transition to adulthood

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

Many disabled people wanting to work face barriers to employment. This is considered in the strategy and the action plan .

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

Delivery of 'Choice, Control, Inclusion' will have a positive impact on the health of working age adults living with disability in Halton.

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

A number of priorities in the strategy promote safety of individuals and raise awareness of the impact of living with disability which will contribute to building stronger communities.

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

None identified

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 'Choice, Control, Inclusion' supports progress in delivering the strategic priorities of the Council for a Healthy Halton. As described in 5.1 the Strategy is capable of delivering within existing resources, however a reduction in budget or staffing levels will impact on service delivery.

Similarly any reductions in service funding allocations in the financial years that the Strategy covers could have an impact in delivering on the five priorities.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 The strategy specifically aims to meet the needs of disabled adults'

age 18-64 living in Halton which are a protected group. It promotes a personalised approach with the individual in control of decisions about their support needs and will therefore have a positive impact.

An equality impact assessment (EIA) has been completed.

9.0 REASON(S) FOR DECISION

Choice, Control, Inclusion is the integrated health and social care commissioning strategy for physical disability 2014-2019. Developed in partnership with NHS Halton Clinical Commissioning Group the strategy responds to future demand and supports delivery of the priorities of the Council, CCG, Halton's Health and Wellbeing Board and the Community Plan.

The strategy offers a local response to national requirements to integrate Health and Social Care through the Better Care Fund plan and national policy set out in Fulfilling Potential: Making it Happen.

10.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

Halton Borough Council and NHS Halton Clinical Commissioning Group could have produced individual strategy documents. This would have reinforced unacceptable silo working rather than a whole system approach. The strategy supports national policy for health and social care to adopt an integrated approach.

11.0 IMPLEMENTATION DATE

Implementation is ongoing for the lifetime of the strategy to 2019.

12.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Document	Place of Inspection	Contact Officer
Fulfilling Potential: Making it Happen (Office for Disability Issues DWP July 2013)	Runcorn Town Hall (Second Floor)	Liz Gladwyn