

This presentation was created for the 19 July meeting of the Cheshire West and Chester Health and Well-being Board.

It sets out the actions taken in response to the recommendations of the Future of Adult Social Care Commission. Full information about the [Health and Well-being Board](#) meeting.

Slide 1: Future of Adult Social Care Commission

Action Plan Update

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/futuresocialcare

Slide 2: The Commission

“What does a good life look like for you and your family and how can we work together to achieve it?”

[Picture displayed showed: screenshot of one of the Commission’s on-line meetings]

Slide 3: Recommendation Themes

1. Take a human rights approach to disability
2. Make ‘nothing about us without us’ real
3. Keep it simple
4. Think local
5. Support a fairer future
6. Strong leadership, strong workforce and good use of data

Slide 4: 1. Deliver the Council's Equality Plan

- Council has passed a motion committing itself to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Disabled People
- Council has formally adopted the social model of disability
- The half day equalities training all staff should attend has been reviewed to highlight the meaning and requirements of the above
- The equalities analysis approach has been reviewed and a group put in place to moderate draft analyses

Next steps: Whilst the framework is in place it will take time to embed

Slide 5: 2. Co-production and Community Empowerment

- This recommendation was highlighted by the LGA Peer Review and included in their recommendations
- The Council has both a corporate and an ASC working group developing our approach to coproduction, is mapping internal and external good practice, and has lead to tangible changes (eg Direct Payments)
- This is being developed in line with the Local Voices Framework that CWVA are leading on, to define a framework and principles for the borough
- CWVA have worked with partners to develop a draft definition and principles around coproduction

Next Steps: workshops are planned to test the draft principles forthcoming coproduction of day opportunities

Slide 6: 3. Community Led Support Programme

- 'Lets Talk' sites are operational in Ellesmere Port, Lache, Blacon and Winsford
- The Northwich and Rural sites are in planning and on schedule for delivery by April 2024
- Feedback from community led support work is being used to update and improve the Livewell Cheshire West website

Next steps: Discussions are ongoing about how to best grow the approach, in terms of geographic, topic and partner coverage

Slide 7: 4. Community Sector Market Shaping and Commissioning Plan

- A working group is in place, including CWVA and Age UK Cheshire, overseeing an agreed action plan. However it has not met recently
- The Council's Market Position Statement has been updated and published
- Community Catalysts are working to support the delivery of a micro-provider programme

Next steps: Commissioners are identifying commissions in the pipeline for alternative approaches

Slide 8: 5. Review of Adult Social Care Charging

1. The Council has reviewed its debt recovery approach
2. An annual process to review charges and allowances has been introduced
3. The discretionary element of the MIG, the CW&C discretionary banded DRE allowances and the PEA have all been increased at the level of inflation
4. Disability related expenditure guidance is being developed

Next steps: the implementation of national charging reforms has been delayed

Slide 9: 6. Implementation of the Integrated Care System

- The Place Plan has been updated and extended
- The CWHCP Committee has been established with an independent chair
- Transformation Programme agreed at Cheshire West Place level
- Recruitment of most senior posts now complete
- Continuing investment in leadership
- An Adult Social Care LGA Peer Review took place in early March

Next Steps: Continued work on ICS delegations to Place and ongoing recruitment

Slide 10: 7. Communicating the Commission

- The report was presented to the HWBB
- Cllr Armstrong wrote to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to lobby for better funding so staff could be fairly rewarded and a training and career structure developed
- A members workshop was held focusing on the cost of adult social care services
- The report and process has been publicised with the LGA and the CCIN

Next steps: Publish an update on progress on the Commission webpages