

Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Strategic Commissioning

Delivering the Corporate Plan 2017-21

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Executive Overview

Services within the Directorate

Adult social care includes: **prevention services** – such as our Ageing Well campaign, telecare and home improvement – which aim to keep people independent and healthy for as long as possible. **Reablement services** – physiotherapists, occupational therapists and rehabilitation specialists - which help people quickly get back their independence after a health crisis or accident. Commissioning and coordinating **longer term support**, when it is needed, gives people more choice and control over their lives. And – as a thread through all of these services - **safeguarding services** which protect vulnerable people at risk of abuse or neglect.

Public health services take an overview of the whole population's health and the health drivers and support the Council's responsibility to **improve health and wellbeing and reduce inequalities**. Public health also includes lifestyle services to help people **stop smoking** and improve **diet** and levels of **physical activity**; services to treat **alcohol and drug misuse**; to prevent the misuse of **alcohol and opiates**; and the **NHS Healthchecks** programme. Our **sexual health** services test and treat sexually transmitted diseases and provide a range of contraception services. The **0-19 Public Health Programme** includes health visitors and school nurses who support health and wellbeing in children and young people and their families.

Summary of Resources

Adult social care

Function	Number of FTE Posts	Staffing expenditure	Non-staffing expenditure	Income
Front-line Services	403.03	£13,629,590	£1,404,870	£1,049,440
Commissioned Services	-	£0	£137,991,740	£74,736,280
In House Services	406.05	£12,343,400	£2,860,410	£6,426,110
Support & Other Services	127.59	£5,825,300	£1,897,610	£4,078,500
Totals for Service	936.68	£31,798,290	£144,154,630	£86,290,330
Capital Investment	-	-	£2,598,906	£2,598,906

Public Health

Function	Number of FTE posts	Staffing expenditure	Non-staffing expenditure	Income
Public Health Service	12.42	£909,910	£15,316,090	-£16,226,000 (Public Health Ring Fenced Grant)
Totals for	12.42	£909,910	£15,316,090	-£16,226,000
Capital investment				£0

Role of the Directorate in delivering the Corporate Plan

Adult Social Care supports the *Living* commitment by promoting a more physically active and socially connected population which stays mentally and physically healthy for as long as possible – particularly important as the population ages. It helps make communities and families stronger and it means we innovate to devise more individual ways of looking after people in their own homes. It means that our residents feel safer at home, in the surrounding neighbourhood and, where this is needed, when receiving care and support services.

Public Health contributes to all areas of the plan by influencing the social determinants of health such as planning, transport and community resilience. Public Health also works with communities to identify and build on assets that promote action to improve wellbeing and health, reduce health inequalities and demand for health and social care services for example by supporting groups which reduce social isolation; and by linking groups in with the arts, culture and sport to improve mental health.

Improved outcomes

Changes to adult social care last year saw more professional support to front line staff and a clearer focus on service quality with the creation of new Senior Practitioner posts to concentrate on supporting the development of core social work skills. We launched the Northumberland Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (“MASH”) to make information-sharing about vulnerable people at risk of abuse or neglect more effective and trained more staff in specialist roles in mental health.

In the next three years our *Extra Care and Supported Housing Strategy* will pull together available property and services to make new options for living in the community and give real choice about where to live. The *Market Position Statement* sets out a framework for work with our partners and independent providers to shape the market for care and support around some clear priorities, making a difference both in those areas which are short of services and the types of service which are needed for urgent development. We will continue our innovative work on the “front door” to our services to provide timely, effective and safe alternatives which mean people even with complex needs can continue to enjoy living in their own homes.

Woven into these changes, the partnership approach to safeguarding people at risk of abuse will be audited and extend to new arrangements with partners.

In public health we have led on the development of the new Northumberland Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy which all NHS commissioners and the council should take into consideration when commissioning services. We have reviewed and recommissioned most of our services with a focus on reducing health inequalities; and will be re-modelling our Integrated Wellbeing Service over the next year. Over the next 3 years we will be developing a community centred approaches model for Northumberland which looks at developing those assets that contribute to health and wellbeing rather than those things that make us ill – focusing on what's strong rather than what's wrong. Working with the CCG and Children's Services, we will be looking at community based services which contribute to children's health outcomes to identify and exploit opportunities for integration.