Kent County Council

Job Description:

Director – Older People and Physical Disability

Date: November 2013

Directorate: Social Care and Public Health

Grade: KR17

Division Older People and Physical Disability

Responsible to: Corporate Director –Social Care and Public Health

Job Purpose

Deliver the strategic commissioning for Adult Social Services for Older People and people with physical disabilities, in Kent, ensuring that services (including in-house provision) are procured and delivered within budget and corporate and national policies and frameworks.

Accountabilities

Directors will work within the KCC Corporate Responsibilities Senior Officers. In addition, as members of Extended Corporate Management Team, Directors and Corporate Directors will work together to make strategic decisions on the most effective use of the Council's agreed budget, resources and policies and enhance the reputation of Kent as a place as well as Kent County Council as the democratic agent of change in the region.

Lead the implementation, and inform the development and content, of the modernisation strategy for Adult Social Services, working in partnership with other relevant Directors, relevant partners and agencies, ensuring that future commissioning frameworks and in- house provision meet the needs of older people and people with physical disabilities.

Lead the development of key relationships with partner agencies in order to influence the direction and content of their service developments and initiatives, so that the delivery of adult social services becomes an integral part of, enhances or complements them and that the accountability for the impact on budgets and the way services are accessed and received is firmly established.

Ensure that adult safeguarding is a priority and ensure safeguarding frameworks and protocols are adhered to throughout the division in order to protect adults.

Create and lead a team to help develop the Kent GP community to generate service designs, initiatives and options to support their new business requirements following on from national policy and legislation.

Act as the strategic interface with partnerships for the delivery of older people and physical disability services ensuring that Kent County Council's interests are being served and to help ensure that the responsibilities for these services are met under the statutory role of Director of Adult Social Services.

Lead and support the strategic delivery of the transformation of Adult Social Care to ensure that the personalisation of social care services for adults is achieved.

Work in partnership with the Director of Commissioning and other Directors to ensure the development of key commissioning strategies to meet future needs.

Actively review all services provided by this post to identify the 'right source' for their future delivery including consideration of outsourcing, co-sourcing or in-sourcing to ensure the most effective and efficient delivery methods are employed.

This job description sets out the accountabilities specific to the role. These should be read in conjunction with the Corporate Responsibilities that apply to the Corporate Director and Director roles.

Services

Enablement
In-house Provision – residential homes and day centres
Adult Protection
Case management
Tele-health and Tele-care
Sensory Services
Dementia
Autism
Lead on health integration