

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY

Graham Gibbens, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health

DECISION NO.

14/00082

If decision is likely to disclose exempt information please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

Subject: : Swale Learning Disability Day Service

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health, I AGREE:

- 1) To change the Swale Learning Disability Day Services to a community hub based model as outlined in the attached report, subject to the current service being maintained until the replacements are up and running.
- 2) To utilise the identified capital money to obtain dedicated spaces within community hub buildings in Faversham, Sheerness and Sittingbourne, with the proposal of:
 - two sensory multi-use spaces
 - two adult changing places
 - enhanced accessible featuresWhere community hubs are in a non KCC building there will be a capital grant agreement drawn up to protect KCC's investment and ensure a rent free period.
- 3) That the Corporate Director for Social Care, Health & Wellbeing, or other delegated officer, to undertake the necessary actions to implement this decision.

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken

None

Reason(s) for decision, including alternatives considered and any additional information

Kent County Council's (KCC) modernisation of Day Services for Adults with Learning Disabilities is an integral part of the transformation towards more personalised services reflecting the vision and strategy contained within "Valuing People Now" White Paper (January 2009) and KCC's "Active Lives". This is being underpinned by the "The Good Day Programme – Better Days for People with Learning Disabilities across Kent", which will ensure people have a wider range of choice, more control and equality of opportunity so that they may lead a full and meaningful person centred life.

Background Documents:

Better Days for people with learning disabilities in Kent

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

Formal consultation with service users, carers and staff took place from 6th May to 12th August 2014. Local members and opposition groups were briefed during this. Consultation supported the proposals.

The 26 Sept 2014 Adult Social Care & Health Cabinet Committee considered the proposed decision. Details of the members comments to the Cabinet Member are contained in the recommendation report.

The Cabinet Committee resolved that:-

- a) the decision proposed to be taken by the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health, after taking account of views expressed by the committee, to proceed with the transformation of the Swale Learning Disability Day Service and to continue the service into a more inclusive, accessible, community-based service, operating from community hubs, be endorsed; and
- b) the Corporate Director of Social Care, Health and Wellbeing, or other delegated officer, undertake the necessary actions to implement this decision.

Any alternatives considered:

The only alternative is to maintain the current day centre model.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

None



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signed

16 October 2016
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date

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Decision Referred to Cabinet Scrutiny			
YES		NO	

Cabinet Scrutiny Decision to Refer Back for Reconsideration			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration Record Sheet Issued			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration of Decision Published			