

## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

### DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

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

### DECISION NO:

15/00101

### For publication

### Key decision

Affects more than 1 Electoral Division and expenditure of more than £1m

### Subject: INTEGRATED ADULT LEARNING DISABILITY COMMISSIONING

#### Decision:

The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health will be asked to:

- a) **AGREE** that Kent County Council will enter into a Section 75 Agreement with the seven Kent Clinical Commissioning Groups, which will agree arrangements for integrated adult learning disability commissioning.
- b) **DELEGATE** authority to the Corporate Director for Social Care, Health and Wellbeing or other nominated officer to arrange sealing of the contract.

**Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken:** None expected.

#### Reason(s) for decision:

Establishing formal integrated commissioning arrangements will provide a consistent approach to learning disability commissioning across Kent and secure integrated and good quality care for Adults with a Learning Disability in Kent.

The integrated commissioning arrangement is consistent with KCC Strategic statement, “Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes” and will ensure a joined up approach to reducing the inequalities and disadvantage faced by people with a learning disability and help the health and social care system to work together to deliver high quality community services.

#### Financial Implications:

It is proposed that the Section 75 Agreement will make provision for a pooled budget for the funding associated with the integrated learning disability commissioning teams. The final contributions for each partner will be set out in the Section 75 Agreement.

#### Legal Implications:

KCC Legal Service will lead on developing the Section 75 Agreement, which will then be reviewed and agreed by all relevant parties. KCC will be the lead agency. The Section 75 Agreement will set out the governance arrangements for decision making of a Section 75 Learning Disability Partnership Board to ensure it is consistent with governance arrangements of the partner organisations.

#### Equality Implications:

The purpose of the arrangement is to consolidate learning disability commissioning expertise to ensure that there is a central point of commissioning advice which will continue to address the inequalities faced by people with learning disabilities.

**Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**

A report setting out the future plans for formal commissioning arrangements for these services was discussed at the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 10 July 2015 when the Committee resolved that the information set out in the report be noted.

The proposed decision will be discussed at the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 3 December 2015 and the final Section 75 agreement will be presented to the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 14 January 2016 and the outcome of this included in the decision paperwork which the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health will be asked to sign.

All Clinical Commissioning Group partners have received reports and support the direction of travel.

**Any alternatives considered:**

There are no other viable options which would deliver an integrated approach.

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

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