

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council
Report of Deputy Chief Executive (People)
to
Cabinet
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**Agenda
Item No.**

A Local Account of Adult Social Care Services in Southend 2017-18
People Scrutiny Committee – Cabinet Member: Councillor Cox

A Part 1 Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To present a draft of the Local Account of Adult Social Care in 2017-18.
- 1.2 The Local Account describes the achievements and challenges faced by adult social care as we continue to transform our approach of how we support local people. It is the Council's self-assessment of how it provided support during 2017-18, together with plans for the future which contribute to the overall health and wellbeing of the local community.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the draft Local Account be noted as the Council's self-assessment for these services

3. Background

- 3.1 The Local Account is produced as a self-assessment which summarises what adult Social care has achieved over the past year, how successful The Council has been in supporting people and what the future priorities are. The Local Account includes the most recent Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework (ASCOF) data for 2017-2018.
- 3.2 The intention of the Local Account is to promote transparency and enable local people to have a stronger voice. The Local Account provides updates on the key issues people have told us are important to them and we also tell them about the new things we have been developing and are working on.
- 3.3 The feedback we received has led us to change the look of the latest Local Account; we wanted to make it more accessible and easier to read. This year's version is shorter and more visual but more detailed information is available through links embedded in the document.

4. Other Options

4.1 No other options are presented

5. Reasons for Recommendation

5.1 The publication of the Local Account of adult social care services for 2017-18 ensures the continuity of information for the public about how we are doing. It also sets out our vision for the future.

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to the Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

HEALTHY – Continue to improve outcomes for vulnerable adults and older people

PROSPEROUS – Reduce inequalities and increase the life chances of people living in Southend.

EXCELLENT – Deliver strong, relevant and targeted services that meet the needs of our community.

6.2 Financial Implications

The cost of planning the production of future Local Accounts will be met within the existing resources for consultation on adult social care. Any new costs arising from the Local Account for adult social care for 2018-19 and future years will need to be considered as part of the relevant annual budget process for the Council.

6.3 Legal Implications

None; although the production of a Local Account allows us to be transparent regarding our adult social care support and allows us to be held to account.

6.4 People Implications

The Local Account demonstrates how our staff are working in a partnership with residents and public and voluntary organisations within Southend.

6.5 Property Implications

Not applicable

6.6 Consultation

Residents, partners and commissioned service providers were consulted on the content of the draft local account.

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

Policies for developing adult social care are subject to equality impact analysis.

6.8 Risk Assessment

The Local Account of adult social care in 2017-18 is a report to which risk assessments were applied as part of the service planning.

- 6.9 Value for Money
Financial and performance information has been included within the Local Account as well as how well we are using our joint resources with health more effectively.
- 6.10 Community Safety Implications
Safeguarding information is included within the Local Account. In addition a safeguarding annual report is produced by the Safeguarding Adults Board.
- 6.11 Environmental Impact
Not applicable
- 7. Background Papers**
None
- 8. Appendices**
- 8.1 Appendix: A Local Account of adult social care in Southend 2017-18