
ASC PEER REVIEW BRIEFING

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. This report is to provide a briefing around the forthcoming Adult Social Care Peer Review.

Summary

2. Adult Social Care will undergo a Peer Challenge Review. The Review will take place over 3 days from 19th to 21st November.
3. The Local Government Association will lead a team consisting of a Director of Adult Social Care; a Lead Member; an experienced Assistant Director from Adult Social Care.
4. The Peer challenge is not an inspection, it is a focus on sector led improvement, utilising 'peers' from other Councils. Peer Challenge helps to identify what is working well and where improvements could be made. It also provides resource and time to look at and reflect on existing practices.
5. The theme for Darlington Borough Council's Adult Peer challenge is the strategic positioning of Assessment and Care Management, including the present position in relation to use of resources, and the effectiveness of adult safeguarding. Adult Social Care has gone through a number of restructures, reduction in management capacity, service reviews and policy changes since 2010, which have delivered £4.1m of savings and it is timely that this review is taking place now to provide a 'health check' on the service.
6. Following the Review Adult Social Care will focus on the feedback to help in our work to shape future direction.

Recommendation

7. It is recommended that :-
 - (a) It is noted that a Peer Review is taking place within Adults, and an update will be provided following this.

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Background Papers

None

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S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for Crime and Disorder
Health and Well Being	This report has no direct implications to the Health and Well Being of residents of Darlington.
Carbon Impact	There are no issues which this report needs to address.
Diversity	There are no issues relating to diversity which this report needs to address
Wards Affected	None
Groups Affected	None
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	This is not a key decision.
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision
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Efficiency	