# Report



meeting

ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH **DEPARTMENTAL BRIEFING** 

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## REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR MENTAL HEALTH AND LEARNING **DISABILITY**

### PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE FUTURE

#### 1. **Purpose of the Report**

1.1 To inform members of the progress toward the development of a departmental commissioning strategy for the delivery of social care services. A presentation will be made at the meeting, identifying the main elements of the commissioning strategies and the main contents.

#### 2. **Background**

- 2.1 In 2006 the department began work on developing a suite of commissioning strategies to direct the activity of the department over the next two years.
- 2.2 Within the overall Strategy, stand-alone chapters are being prepared which cover:
  - Prevention
  - Older people
  - Physical Disability and Sensory Impairment
  - Mental Health
  - Learning Disability
  - Asperger's Disorder.

#### 3. Context

- 3.1 The individual strategies have been developed in consultation with users, carers and partners, and other stakeholders over the last twelve months.
- 3.2 The documents reflect key national and local drivers, the performance of the department, current resource issues and local market issues. The department then states its desired outcomes together with its commissioning intentions.

- 3.3 The strategies are being developed as far as possible in partnership with colleagues in the health sector; with the intention to work together to deliver fully integrated strategies over the next two years.
- 3.4 The department is to complete a final draft of the strategies by mid February, with a four week consultation period to finalise the documents ready for publication in May 2007.

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