

Report



meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

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REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULT SERVICES AND HEALTH

DELIVERY AND IMPROVEMENT STATEMENT

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To advise Council of the publication on the County Council website of the Delivery and Improvement Statement submitted to the Commission for Social Care Inspection (CSCI) by the Strategic Director of Adult Social Care and Health.

2. Information and Advice

- 2.1 As part of the performance monitoring arrangements for adult social care, all local authorities with social care responsibilities are required to submit a Delivery and Improvement Statement (DIS) to CSCI on an annual basis.
- 2.2 This document reports on performance against the indicators in the national Performance Assessment Framework and other performance measures, and sets out the department's plans for service delivery and improvement in the coming year.
- 2.3 The reported outcomes, targets and plans form an important part of the evidence used by CSCI to determine the department's 'star rating' which is published in November of each year.
- 2.4 In previous years there has been a requirement to report the outcome of the star ratings to Members, but the DIS has not been made publicly available. For 2005/2006, CSCI issued a new operating policy requiring that the DIS be reported to an open session of the Council within two months of its submission on 31st May 2006. This requirement has been introduced in line with national policy on open government so that data can be openly shared with and used by the public or other councils.
- 2.5 The DIS will be located within the Council Business section of the public website, under 'Performance and Plans' and is attached to this report as an appendix.

3. Statutory and Policy Implications

3.1 This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, personnel, crime and disorder and those using the service. Where such implications are material, they have been described in the text of the report. Members' attention is however, drawn to the following:-

3.1.1 Implications for Service Users

Whilst there are no direct implications for service users in this report, publication of the DIS will allow them access to information on service activity, performance against national targets.

4. Recommendations

4.1 It is recommended that:

Council notes the publication of the Delivery and Improvement Statement for adult social care.

5. Legal Services' Comments (JF 7/07/06)

5.1 This report is for noting only.

6. Director of Resources' Financial Comment (DW 10/07/06)

6.1 There are no financial implications to this report.

7. Background Papers Available for Inspection

7.1 None.

8. Electoral Division(s) Affected

8.1 All

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