

Appendix C

Social Care, Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee 20 December 2010

Comments regarding Supplementary Savings Proposals contained within the Corporate Budget Strategy Update presented to Executive on 7 December 2010

At its meeting of 20 December 2010, the Social Care, Health and Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee assessed the viability and suitability of a number of supplementary savings proposals relating to the Social Care, Health and Housing Directorate.

Detailed below are the outcomes following the Committee's assessment and discussion of the Directorate's Supplementary Savings Proposals:

1. Comments and recommendations regarding the Social Care, Health and Housing Directorate:

- a. SCHH19 - Supplementary - Remodelling of the Assessment and Care Management Teams - Efficiency

Members were informed that the Directorate aims to provide existing and potential service users with access to personal budgets, allowing officers to tailor their skills to cases requiring complex assessment. In this instance the Directorate's workforce would include an increase in support workers based within the Community to facilitate personal budgets.

RECOMMENDATION: That this proposal be endorsed.

- b. SCHH20 - Supplementary - Remodelling of services for People with Learning Disabilities - Efficiency

The current Domiciliary Care (including Respite Services) and Assessment & Resettlement service supports adults with learning disabilities in supported living environments. The proposal is for better use of staffing resources and the proposed savings from the previous financial year be brought forward to the 2011/12 year.

RECOMMENDATION: That this proposal be endorsed.

- c. SCHH21 - Supplementary - Learning Disabilities Commissioning Transfer - Efficiency

The PCT had provided additional funding of £9.6m for contracts and care packages for adults with learning disabilities following the NHS Campus Closure process. The efficiencies would produce approximately £100k savings through contract efficiencies.

RECOMMENDATION: That this proposal be endorsed.

- d. SCHH22 - Supplementary - Reduction in the Transforming Peoples Lives Service - Efficiency

The project stage of the Transforming Peoples Lives Service has completed, with the outcomes of the service reconfiguration being integrated and embedded into the working practices of the service. This will be achieved through staff reduction whilst not reducing the service to users.

RECOMMENDATION: That this proposal be endorsed.

- e SCHH23 - Supplementary - Management Review of the Commissioning & Partnership team - efficiency

The team provides strategic commissioning, contract monitoring & compliance and service user participation. A review of the team will be carried out with the proposal of a reduction of two full time equivalents to be achieved.

RECOMMENDATION: That this proposal be endorsed.