

AGENDA ITEM: 15f

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

6 MARCH 2007

SOCIAL CARE AND ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL

PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board with an update on the progress of the Social Care and Adult Services Scrutiny Panel.

PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

2. Since the last update the panel have had one meeting. The panel received an update on the progress with the recommendations from the autumn 2005 review of Developing Learning Disability Services from the service area.
3. It was noted that joint work to progress the action plan has taken place from within the Learning Disability Partnership Board involving the Department of Social Care, Children Families and Learning Department, the Tees and North East Yorkshire NHS Trust and other key stakeholders.
4. The demand for services for young people making the transition for Children's Services to Adult Services continues to rise and there was insufficient capacity to meet those projected costs. Action was progressing through the 'Bringing People Back Home' project to maximise the value of current out of area spend to develop locally based services.
5. The panel was presented with an update on each of the recommendations. All of the actions were either complete or partially complete.
6. One of the panel's recommendations from the review was that more people should be offered a Person Centred Plan. The panel found that there was further work to be done in this area and that offering this option, which is led by the needs of the client and not the service, was quite a culture change for staff.
7. A pilot scheme which has seen Person Centred Planning in schools for young people aged 14+ has been working well and Ofsted have recognised it as good practice.
8. At the next meeting, the panel will be receiving updates on a number of previous reviews, Fair Access to Care, Direct Payments and Who Cares for Carers?

RECOMMENDATION

9. That the Overview and Scrutiny Board notes the content of the report.

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