

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting20th December 2007

1. Title of Item/Report

Report of 2006-07 Annual Performance Assessment of Adult Social Care Services

2. Record of the Decision

Members noted that the Annual Performance Assessment (APA) of social care services for adults was carried out by CSCI. It was based on a range of evidence, including a self-assessment by the authority, performance indicators, other related service inspections, and routine business meetings between CSCI and the Council.

Members were provided with a letter and report that confirmed the outcome of the annual assessment of performance for the 2006-07 period. The performance ratings of the Council was:

Delivering outcomes: Good
Capacity for improvement: Promising
Performance rating: 2 stars

Due to some changes in the performance assessment framework for 2006-07, the areas of judgement which were graded do not all match with the previous performance framework, although the overall star rating system has been maintained (with 0 stars being the poorest and 3 stars the best). The 2 star performance rating is the same as achieved in 2006. The judgement on delivering outcomes contributes to the Comprehensive Performance Assessment of the Council.

Members noted that the summary of the judgements indicated that services were judged to be good across all of the outcome areas, with the exception of an 'adequate' rating for 'Improved quality of life'. Capacity to improve was promising, based on assessment of the two strands of Leadership and Commissioning.

The APA report identified many key strengths as well as key areas for improvement. The report was helpful in supporting the Council's own assessment of its performance and in contributing to the review of strategic plans and service improvement plans, to ensure the necessary

actions were in place to build on strengths and respond to areas for improvement. A number of initiatives were already in place aimed at securing further improvements in performance, particularly related to improved quality of life measures.

CSCI would continue to monitor the Council's progress through a programme of meetings between their Business Relationship Manager and senior managers from Adult Social Care Services. Progress in addressing performance would be reported also through quarterly joint Improvement Clinics.

RESOLVED that the letter and report be received and the outcome of the 2007 annual performance assessment be noted.

3. Reasons for the Decision

The report on the annual performance assessment of Adult Social Care Services must be reported to a meeting of the council within two months of the publication of the annual performance ratings.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not Applicable

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Not later than Midnight on Thursday 3rd January 2008

Proper Officer
21 December 2007