

## Corporate, Adult Services, and Social Inclusion Select Committee

### Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 4 October 2011

#### Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

#### EIT Review of Commissioned Carers and Independent Living Services

During the August recess the Committee undertook a number of site visits:

Independent Living Centre, Tithebarn;	<b>Funding received from SBC (for stroke patients and carers) - £48,000</b> Expected outcomes – Improvement for speech for person affected by stroke. Carers have better understanding for condition and better able to support the person affected.
Bridge House Hostel;	<b>Funding received from SBC - £179,384</b> Expected outcomes – emergency accommodation for homeless single men
St James' House;	<b>Funding received from SBC - £142,669</b> Expected outcomes – emergency accommodation for homeless families
Aspen Gardens; (Extra Care)	<b>Funding received from SBC - £34,450</b> Expected outcomes – Housing support of extra care services
Shopmobility;	<b>Funding received from SBC – £51,250</b> Expected outcomes - to provide a wide range of mobility aids and equipment for purchase or hire.
Eastern Ravens Trust;	<b>Funding received from SBC - £83,423 (+ £31,699 – Children's Fund)</b> Expected outcomes – young carer support service
George Hardwick Foundation;	<b>Funding received from SBC - £215,000 (over 6 contracts)</b> Expected outcomes; (over 6 contracts) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carer support core service</li> <li>• Advice and information programme</li> <li>• BME support worker</li> <li>• GP surgery – carer identification and support</li> <li>• Palliative care worker</li> <li>• Job club</li> </ul>
Trinity Gardens Almshouses, Stockton;	<b>Funding received from SBC - £10,788</b> Expected outcomes – sheltered accommodation, clients able to live independently with minimal support
Hindu Cultural Centre, North Ormsby.	<b>Funding received from SBC - £9,799 (over 2 contracts)</b> Expected outcomes; (over 2 contracts) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Day service – Hindu elders provided with meals, social activity and companionship/friendship</li> <li>• Respite breaks</li> </ul>

The site visits have started to identify possible recommendations for this review.

This review may conflict with the intentions of the EIT Review of Community Safety and Security Services (Housing and Community Safety Select Committee) as it has suggested that an additional £35,000 income can be identified from a combination of increased income generation (Care Call) and a reduction in supplies and services. The Committee will meet on 4<sup>th</sup> October to discuss this with the Head of Community Safety (Housing Select Committee Members have also been invited to attend).

Khalid Azam (PCT) will also be attending this meeting.

The original timescale (September 2011) of this review was unlikely to be met and is provisionally scheduled to report in January 2012. Tony Beckwith (Lead Officer) will be leaving SBC in September. Julie Nixon has been approached to take over the lead as this review might have some relationship to the EIT Review of Mental Health and Learning Disability Services (Health Select Committee) that Julie is already leading. This is yet to be confirmed.

### **Forward Programme**

Officers are completing tests to the commissioning arrangements for services which will be presented to the Committee in November. These include:

- A review of where each contract stands when compared within a strategic relevance framework. This work will confirm whether the aims of facilitating independence are met and help in developing longer term commissioning intentions
- An analysis of self assessments undertaken by providers into the value for money that each contract gives
- A similar analysis of the self assessment undertaken by providers into the quality of services provided