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People at the Heart of Care: Adult Social Care Reform White Paper

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Purpose of the presentation



To summarise the following:

- People at the Heart of Care: the White Paper
- The Care Cap
- Fair Cost of Care
- Care Quality Commission inspection
- Associated risks

People at the Heart of Care: the White Paper



The White Paper sets out an ambitious 10-year vision for how support and care will be transformed in England. The vision puts people at its heart and revolves around three objectives:

- People have choice, control and support to live independent lives.
- People can access outstanding quality and tailored care and support.
- People find adult social care fair and accessible.

The paper sets out how some of the proposed investment will be spent to transform the adult social care system in England. This includes:

- Housing and home adaptations.
- Technology and digitisation.
- Workforce training and wellbeing support.
- Support for unpaid carers, and improved information and advice.
- Innovation and improvement.

The Care Cap



From October 2023, Government will introduce a new £86,000 cap on the amount anyone in England will need to spend on their personal care over their lifetime. In addition to this, changes are also being made to the Lower Capital Limit and Upper Capital Limit.

A Care Account will be set up for every person to enable the local authority to monitor their progress towards the Care Cap.

Key dates to implementation in Bury:

- A Client Financial Portal fully tested and implemented by December 2022.
- Online Financial Assessment Tool operational by January 2023.
- Early implementation of social care and financial assessments are conducted, where appropriate, from April 2023.
- Full implementation of the Care Cap, Care Account and Capital Limit Thresholds by October 2023.

To support local authorities to prepare their markets for reform, Government has agreed a Market Sustainability and Fair Cost of Care Fund. The main aim of the fund is to support local authorities to move towards paying providers a fair cost of care.

To access this fund, local authorities will need to evidence the work they are doing to prepare their markets.

Key dates to implementation in Bury:

- Carry out Fair Cost of Care Exercise with Care at Home and Care Home providers.
- Submit Cost of Care Table, Spend Report, Cost of Care Report and Provisional Market Sustainability Plan on 14th October 2022.
- Submit Final Market Sustainability Plan in February 2023.

The Fair Cost of Care exercise covers Care at Home providers supporting customers 18+, and Care Homes supporting residents 65+.

Care Quality Commission inspection



The White Paper outlines plans for Adult Social Care to be inspected by the CQC. This will help improve outcomes for people who require care and support by assessing how local authorities are meeting individual's needs.

Detail about this inspection have not yet been released, but it is expected that the following themes will be assessed:

- Working with people - assessing needs (including unpaid carers), supporting people to live healthier lives, prevention, well-being, information and advice.
- Providing support - market shaping, commissioning, workforce equality, integration and partnership working.
- Ensuring safety - safeguarding, safe systems and continuity of care.
- Leadership - capable and compassionate leaders, learning, improvement, innovation and governance.

It is expected that these inspections will take place from April 2023.

Associated risks

- Funding Allocations – Bury does not receive a funding allocation from the Government which ensures we can deliver adult social care reform.
- Workforce expertise within the system – adult social reform introduces many changes that staff will require training on. This is essential to ensure we offer the right support to our residents and commissioned providers.
- Workforce capacity – it is expected that changes introduced with adult social care reform will impact on staff capacity as the number of people contacting the Council for support is likely to increase significantly.
- A programme risk and issue log will be monitored by the Adult Social Care Reform Programme Board.

Questions



Time for questions

