SCRUTINY INITIATION DOCUMENT (SID)

Review:

Adult (paid) Carers and the implications of the social care green paper on L.B.Islington

Scrutiny Review Committee:

Health and Care

Director leading the review:

Katharine Willmette

Lead officers:

Jon Tomlinson Assistant Director Commissioning

Overall aim:

To review current position regarding paid Adult carers in Islington – funding, numbers, available support and effectiveness of services to properly support carers.

To consider and assess the likely impact on paid carers of the (forthcoming) Green paper on Social Care and other implications on social care as a result of this Green Paper

To advise on any changes that need to be implemented to the strategic direction and support for paid carers in Islington

Objectives of the review:

- To consider numbers and profile of paid Carers in Islington and consider any benchmarking data
- To examine the requirements of contractors in respect of Adult Carers in terms of remuneration, risk assessment analysis for Adult Carers and users of the service, training, travel time, payment of LLW, and how specialist cultural /specialist needs are being met
- To examine the area of Direct Payments
- To examine current arrangements in place to support Islington carers.
- To examine the effectiveness of the current arrangements
- To examine the potential implications of the proposals within the social care green paper on carers in Islington
- To consider any actions that may need to be taken in the light of the green paper or generally to ensure the Islington offer continues to properly support Islington carers who provide significant input to care and support within the borough.
- To consider how local providers can be assisted to bid for contracts for Adult Social Care

How is the review to be carried out:

Scope of the review

The review will focus on the overall support provided to paid Adult carers and its effectiveness in supporting them to provide care that is appropriate whilst maintain their own health and wellbeing. It will also focus on workforce challenges and how to encourage increased local employment of carers. It will then focus on the possible implications for this support or otherwise of the forthcoming Green Paper and the implications of the Green Paper on other aspects on Islington social care provision

Types of evidence

- 1. Documentary evidence including:
 - a. DH guidance, advice and findings from reports published by specialist carer organisations
 - b. Service information in relation commissioned and directly delivered provision.
- 2. Witness evidence including presentations from:
 - a. Paid Carers
 - b. Professor Lyn Segal Birkbeck University
 - c. Providers of services
 - d. LBI Commissioners/Telecare service
 - e. The NHS
 - f. Service users who are cared for within Islington as appropriate
 - g. Other Local /national subject matter experts, including
 - h. CQC
 - i. Robbie Rainbird Charging Policy
 - j. Clarion Housing Association/Sheltered housing representative
 - k. Evidence on Direct Payments

Additional information: Timescales: (*to be confirmed*)

28/01/2019 Initial Presentation and sign off of SID March to September 2019 Witness Presentations October to December 2019 January 2020 Final Report

In carrying out the review the committee will consider equalities implications and resident impacts identified by witnesses. The Executive is required to have due regard to these, and any other relevant implications, when responding to the review recommendations.