

SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

DATE: 26TH SEPTEMBER, 2017

SUBJECT

SERVICE INTEGRATION AND POOLED FUNDS

Purpose:

'Sighting' report.

To consider and comment on the following issues:

- To note the Council's statutory obligation to establish pooled funds for adult care homes
- To acknowledge the regional arrangements established for meeting pooled fund obligations

Reasons:

The Council must respond to statutory obligations under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 - in particular, to establish pooled funds for adult care homes.

To be referred to the Executive Board/Council for decision:

Exec Board Decision Required YES – 31st July, 2017

Council Decision Required NO

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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Attention is drawn to the 'sighting' paper that has been prepared on a regional basis for use within the governance structures of the relevant organisations – the Health Board and respective councils within the West Wales Care Partnership area.

The key considerations to note are:

- Regional arrangements – under the West Wales Care Partnership - have been put in place to advance work on service integration and pooled funds;
- There is a statutory deadline for establishing pooled fund arrangements between health and social services for adult care homes, by 6th April 2018;
- Carmarthenshire is acting as a 'pace-setter' within the Region by taking work forward on integrating a wider range of services. The current thinking is to give priority to completing already advanced integration in respect of short term care arrangements;
- Other opportunities for furthering service integration are under active consideration on a regional basis.

The paper also highlights a preliminary view on the potential risks and benefits of pooled fund arrangements.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Rhian Dawson, Head of Integrated Services

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

The subject has significant implications in supporting policy intentions to more effectively integrate services across organisational remits. This is in keeping with policy commitments arising from the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act (2015) and the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act (2014).

2. Legal

There are a range of legal issues, to include: responding to the statutory requirements in an appropriate and timely manner; and establishing proper governance arrangements and legal agreements.

3. Finance

Pooling of funds will require appropriate arrangements to ensure adequate control of budgets and suitable measures to protect the Authority in the event of overspends.

4. ICT

Depending on the precise agreed arrangements, there may be implications for ICT interoperability.

5. Risk Management Issues

There is a range of risk management issues to consider, as detailed in the attached report

7. Staffing Implications

None arising directly from the report

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Rhian Dawson, Head of Integrated Services

1. Local Member(s) - N/A

2. Community / Town Council – N/A

3. Relevant Partners - N/A

4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Part 9 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014		http://gov.wales/docs/dhss/publications/151218part9en.pdf