Priorities and Resources 2015/2016 Adult Social Care: Integration and the Care Act



Background

During the course of 2014/2015 (and in particular during its review of Priorities and Resources for 2014/2015), the Overview and Scrutiny Board heard from Council officers and partner organisations of the opportunities for joint commissioning between health and social care. The Board agreed that these opportunities, together with those arising from Pioneer (Joined Up) status needed to be seized. The Board also agreed that budget proposals for adult social care needed to be considered in the wider context of the changes in health and social care (both locally and nationally).

Taking these points into account, the Priorities and Resources Review Panel wish to receive an update on the current position in relation to the creation of an Integrated Care Organisation in Torbay, the Joined Up programme of work and the implications of the Care Act 2014.

Areas for Discussion

- 1. What is the current position in relation to meeting the requirements of the Care Bill?
- 2. What are the additional costs? What changes are needed in the workforce?
- 3. Will the Council and Care Trust be able to deal with the impact of the Care Bill?
- 4. What is the current position with Pioneer and the Integrated Care Organisation? How are the inter-relationships being managed? Who is driving the change?
- 5. How have Children's Services been included within the integration agenda?
- 6. Can the rhetoric be turned into reality at the pace that the Local Authority requires? When will the benefits accrue – To the public? To the local authority? To the NHS?
- 7. What's Plan B for adult social care? If the savings aren't realised? If the additional pressures from the Care Bill aren't met? If the ICO does not go ahead? What's the risk of the ICO not being achieved?

Invitees

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