

Record of Decisions

The Big Plan - Working together to make Torbay a better place to live for people with learning disabilities 2023-2028

Decision Taker

Cabinet on 19 September 2023.

Decision

That subject to the approval of the overarching Adult Social Care Strategy by Council on 20 September 2023, 'The Big Plan – Working Together to make Torbay a better place to live for people with learning disabilities 2023-2028' be approved.

Reason for the Decision

To ensure the rights and needs of people with a learning disability in Torbay are met.

Implementation

This decision will come into force and may be implemented on 2 October 2023 unless the call-in procedure is triggered (as set out in the Standing Orders in relation to Overview and Scrutiny).

Information

"The Big Plan- Working together to make Torbay a better place to live for people with learning disabilities 2023-2028". The strategic plan has been developed to support Torbay Council and local partners in delivering better outcomes and better lives for those residents in Torbay who have a learning disability.

The Big Plan is part of an overall improvement plan for adult social care across Torbay. The intended outcomes of the Big Plan were measurable positive impacts for people with a learning disability, including:

- More people with a learning disability in work, education and/or training.
- Improved quality of life.
- Greater representation of people with a learning disability in community groups and organisations.
- Improved access to information.
- More choice and control about care and support.
- Better quality housing and choice on where to live.
- Improved health outcomes meaning people with learning disabilities will feel well, happy and healthy.
- More people with learning disabilities feeling confident and safe at home and in the community.
- Improved quality of life and access to advice and information for carers, family and friends of people with a learning disability.

At the meeting Councillor Tranter proposed and Councillor Tyerman seconded a motion that was agreed unanimously by the Cabinet, as set out above.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

In determining the type, format and duration of the strategy, different options were considered about how to use this opportunity to:

- Provide a clear outline to the commissioners of services, providers of services and wider community about what people with a learning disability in Torbay want and need to live better, equal lives (the Vision and Goals).
- Drive measurable change that people can see, experience and know it is making a positive difference (The Actions, Activities and Outcomes).

Whilst there was an absolute priority need to improve systems, services and our community offer for those with a learning disability there was also a collective understanding and agreement that to fully achieve some of the goals outlined in the strategy could take some time.

Is this a Key Decision?

No

Does the call-in procedure apply?

Yes

Declarations of interest (including details of any relevant dispensations issued by the Standards Committee)

None.

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Signed: _____ Date: _____
Leader of Torbay Council on behalf of the Cabinet