

**Cllr Peter Black**  
**Convener, Adult Services Scrutiny Panel**

**BY EMAIL**

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Dear Councillor Black

Thank you for your letter dated 13 May 2019 please find response below.

1. Provide academic reports to evidence LACs are saving twice as much as they cost.  
Please note the following:

Swansea University Formative Evaluation Summary published in December 2016 at page 4 reports

“LAC implementation in Swansea demonstrated benefits in the range of £800k-£1.2m during this brief period (July 2015 – April 2016). This represents a benefit/cost ratio of between 2:1 and 3:1 using the core range assumptions and under the most conservative parameters. Sustained LAC/LCC activity would see the benefit/cost ratio improve further rising to between 3:1 and 4:1 with a net return of £1.2m-£1.8m.”

A copy of the full report is attached.

The Evaluation of Leicestershire County Council Local Area Coordination Report published in October 2016 at page 5 provides...

“The SROI findings provide positive evidence of measurable outcomes for LAC, demonstrating positive SROI ratio of £4.10 in accumulated benefit for every £1 spent (based on 15 months’ worth of input and activity from the end June 2015 to end September 2016) . Additionally, Coordinators estimate that 53 prospective future critical incidents have been avoided as a result of LAC’s work and these are likely to result in substantial further benefits over and above those calculated for the SROI. We provide an indicative order-of-magnitude estimate for the additional benefits gained from avoidance of critical incidents in the main report.”

Learning Outcomes from Thurrock Council and Derby City Council Social Return on Investment Analyses Report published in March 2016 at page 9 states...

“This (evaluation) demonstrates that in both authorities for every £1 invested in Local Area Coordination, up to £4 of social value is created with significant benefits to the

Local Community. There is potential for this to increase further with additional coordinators and other outcomes that could be realised. This is primarily for the individuals receiving the service through their enhanced health and wellbeing.

A copy of these reports is available to download from <https://lacnetwork.org/local-area-coordination/evidence-base/>

2. Please provide further information on what the authority is currently commissioning.

Assuming this request relates to Learning Disabilities Supported Living Services the range of services currently commissioned is outlined in the table below.

TYPE OF SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICE	NUMBER OF SERVICE USERS	NAMES OF PROVIDERS	TOTAL NET COST TO AUTHORITY PER CATEGORY FOR 18/19
Permanent Supported Living.	234	CLC Walsingham Accomplish Cartrefi Cymru Dimensions UK Drive GRS Lifeways Perthyn Care Management Group Maesteilo/Swanton Fieldbay TLC (Wales) Fostering	£10,387,148
Floating Support (funded via Supporting People Grant)	50	1 Internal service and Coastal Housing	£133 564
Floating Support (funded by Core Budget).	25	M&D, Lifeways, Gwalia, CLC,Walsingham	£120,000
Shared Lives Long Term Family Placements Management Charges Short Term Placements	54 N/A 85	Ategi	£730,032 £86,000 £59,098

Yours sincerely



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