

Councillor Mark Child - Health and Wellbeing Cabinet Portfolio

1. Portfolio Priorities / Objectives

- Bring through Commissioning Reviews for Adults in Domiciliary care, Residential Care and Day Care, and for Mental Health, Learning Difficulties and Physical Disabilities services.
- Use the Model to guide changes in Social Services provision and staff's dealings with individuals, to help people achieve what they wish.
- Ensure the safe, efficient, effective and most importantly, sustainable delivery of services.
- See that Western Bay manages and reviews itself fully as Bridgend leaves.
- Increase the profile and effectiveness of the Best Start initiative.

2. Specific Activities and Achievements, Progress against Corporate Priorities / Policy Commitments, Key Decisions Taken, and Impact / Difference Made

- Agreeing the Service Model in Cabinet
- Completing the Domiciliary Care Commissioning Review.
- Increased Local Area Co-ordinators to 10, covering close to 50% of Swansea, with increased numbers of contributors to finance this.
- Adoption of an Ethical Charter for Social Care
- The Practice Framework agreed that uses a strength based approach.

3. Headlines on the Performance of Services and the Key Targets Monitored to Measure Improvement and Success

- Child and Family services still performing well for Looked After Children, with LAC numbers down 20%, and 50% reduction in use of residential settings.
- An all Adult Services Performance Framework in place.
- The aim is now to support people at the lowest level possible. Understanding that success will be an increase in Information, Advice and Assistance to encourage people to self-support; a decrease in the overall number of domiciliary care hours; a decrease in the number of residential care placements; people supported via our residential Reablement beds going home; people supported by our Homecare Reablement service leaving the services with much less support.

4. Engagement with Service Users / Public and What Influence This Has Had

- Consultation on Model and Domiciliary Care Review took place with a good response that influenced implementation.
- Co-production was employed to produce the report shortly to come to Cabinet on Children with additional needs.
- Supported Living Tender co-produced with service users and families.

5. What You Hope to Achieve Over the Coming Months and Challenges

- Acknowledgement of challenges facing Adult Social Services across the council, councillors and through the budget.
- Agree outcome of the Residential and Day Care Commissioning reviews.
- Delivering the Adult Services Model at pace.
- Meeting the budgetary challenge in terms of delivering sustainable Adult Services.
- Agreement to consult on the Commissioning Strategies for Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Physical Disabilities.
- Bring a similar approach to non-statutory children's services in the Family Support Commissioning Review as has been developed on the statutory side.
- A recommitment to Healthy Cities by the Council and ABMU.

6. What Key Decisions You Are Expecting to Take to Cabinet over the Next Year

- Implementation of various Commissioning Reviews announced above.
- Agreement to consult on the Commissioning Strategies for Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Physical Disabilities.
- Support Social Services through the drive to become sustainable, improving individuals' independence and providing quality services for the people of Swansea when needed.

7. Your Interactions with Scrutiny and Outcomes, and Whether There Is any Specific Future Scrutiny Activity You Would Welcome

- Just at the start of this, but I hope I have good relations with each chair. I hope they can challenge the pace at which we implement the Model, shift to empowering and enabling, and move to sustainability.
- Alongside this I think a particular focus on how Social Services and ABMU work together, using the Future Generations Act as a model would be useful.