

Birmingham City Council

Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Subject: Staying Independent at Home: Adaptation and Improvement Service

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1 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the procurement of the Staying Independent at Home: Adaptation and Improvement Service.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee note the contents of the report and appendices for information.

3 Any Finance Implications

- 3.1 The Staying Independent at Home: Adaptation and Improvement Service will be funded through the Disabled Facilities Grant that is received by the Council each year. There is no Adult Social Care base funding required in order for this contract to be delivered.
- 3.2 The cost of the procurement will be funded from the Adult Social Care base budget.

4 Any Legal Implications

- 4.1 Section 14 of The Care Act 2014 states that the Council must provide minor works or equipment of a value of less than £1,000 free of charge to the citizen as detailed in The Act where these are necessary to meet a Care Act outcome.
- 4.2 The Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 (HGCRA 1996) places a mandatory duty on the Local Authority to provide grants towards the costs of works required for the provision of facilities for people living with disabilities as defined in the Equality Act 2010. These are known as Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG).

5 Any Equalities Implications

- 5.1 The procurement of this service will ensure that citizens who are eligible for the assistance, receive a service that is reflective of their needs and has the ability to adapt to ensure that the citizen receives the best outcome possible.

6 Appendices

- 6.1 Staying Independent at Home: Adaptation and Improvement Service Specification
- 6.2 Staying Independent at Home: Adaptation and Improvement Service Procurement Strategy Report (March 2023)
- 6.3 Staying Independent at Home Policy – widening the use of the disabled facilities grant (March 2022)