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Adult Social Care and Health



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SAVING PROPOSAL FACTSHEET

AD101A 19+ Funding of Equipment Loan Store

Directorate: Adult Social Care and Health

Service: Equipment Loan Store

About this service

Citizens of Birmingham may benefit from aids and adaptations to continue living independently at home. The Occupational Therapy team may recommend such minor adaptations such as installing hand rails or lever taps, or they may recommend major adaptations, such as installing a stair lift or downstairs bathroom. These aids and adaptations are available through the Equipment Loan Store.

Proposed changes

The change being proposed is to make use of the capital resources budget to pay for larger items of equipment which will continue to help people remain independent in their own homes and communities.

The amount currently spent on the service and the proposed reduction is shown below.

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Total Spend 18/19	Income 18/19	Net Spend 18/19	Saving in 19/20	Saving in 20/21	Saving in 21/22	Saving in 22/23
£5.531m	(£4.479m)	£1.052m	(£0.500m)	(£0.500m)	(£0.500m)	(£0.500m)

What would this mean?

There will be no change from the service user perspective. The change relates only to how specific equipment is funded by maximising the use of capital resources to help people remain independent in their own home and community, in line with the Birmingham vision for adult social care and health.

We will try to reduce the impact by

By maximising the use of capital resources there will be no change for service users - the change relates to funding streams and does not affect access to equipment or services.

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AD101B 19+ Funding of Assistive Equipment

Directorate: Adult Social Care and Health

Service: Equipment Loan Store

About this service

Citizens of Birmingham may benefit from aids, adaptations or assistive equipment to continue living independently at home. The Occupational Therapy team may recommend assistive equipment such as personal alarm systems.

Proposed changes

The change being proposed is to make use of the capital resources budget to pay for larger items of equipment which will continue to help people remain independent in their own homes and communities, in line with the Birmingham vision for adult social care and health. There will be no other changes to the service provided.

The amount currently spent on the service and the proposed reduction is shown below.

Total Spend 18/19	Income 18/19	Net Spend 18/19	Saving in 19/20	Saving in 20/21	Saving in 21/22	Saving in 22/23
£1.120m		£1.120m	(£0.800m)	(£0.800m)	(£0.800m)	(£0.800m)

What would this mean?

There will be no change from the service user perspective. The change relates only to how specific equipment is funded by maximising the use of capital resources to help people remain independent in their own home and community.

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AD102 19+ Bharosa Service

Directorate: Adult Social Care and Health

Service: Bharosa

About this service

Bharosa is a domestic abuse service for ethnic minority women, particularly those from a South Asian background, living in Birmingham. The service is free, confidential and unbiased for women and young girls over the age of 16, who are experiencing any form of domestic abuse. The service provided is culturally appropriate and sensitive to the needs of ethnic minority women (particularly those from a South Asian background) living in Birmingham

Proposed changes

The long term proposal is to ensure the Bharosa service is aligned to key public health outcomes and delivers against the Domestic Violence Strategy. In order to achieve this, it is assumed that the service will be directly funded by Public Health for a period while options are prepared for future service delivery. Implementation of a new service delivery model will follow to ensure the service delivers against the Domestic Violence Strategy and key Public Health outcomes. Future proposals will be consulted on.

The amount currently spent on the service and the proposed reduction is shown below.

Total Spend 18/19	Income 18/19	Net Spend 18/19	Saving in 19/20	Saving in 20/21	Saving in 21/22	Saving in 22/23
£0.209m	£0.000m	£0.209m	(£0.200m)	(£0.200m)	(£0.200m)	(£0.200m)

What would this mean?

Service users will not be impacted by these changes in the 2019/20 financial year. The initial change is one of funding the service via Public Health rather than using general funds. This allows sufficient time to develop and review the options for delivering the service. Consideration will be given to recommissioning the service externally, commissioning the service as part of a wider service offer and delivering the service through existing schemes. Following the change existing service users will continue to have access to a service. Examples of how the change may impact on service users include, not being delivered in the same building, being delivered with other wrap around services, and not being delivered internally.

We will try to reduce the impact by

Funding is being put in place now to allow time for careful consideration of the possible options and ensuring the one which achieves the best possible outcome is implemented. The service is being

reshaped to better meet outcomes rather than being removed. Further mitigating action will be taken once work progresses on developing the options.

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AD103 19+ HIV/TB Support

Directorate: Adult Social Care and Health

Service: Public Health

About this service

The service is commissioned to provide support to people living with HIV and TB, who are either resident in Birmingham, or receiving their medical treatment in Birmingham, as well as those concerned about HIV/TB exposure. The service provides wider support activity such as advice, information, housing support and support with testing.

Proposed changes

The proposal is to decommission the existing HIV/TB service and work with NHS England and other providers to develop more general care arrangements for service users.

The amount currently spent on the service and the proposed reduction is shown below.

Total Spend 18/19	Income 18/19	Net Spend 18/19	Saving in 19/20	Saving in 20/21	Saving in 21/22	Saving in 22/23
£0.255m	£0.000m	£0.255m	(£0.255m)	(£0.255m)	(£0.255m)	(£0.255m)

What would this mean?

The service is about to enter the final year of the current contractual agreement and the proposal is to decommission this service from 1st July 2019.

HIV/TB treatment remains the key responsibility of the NHS. HIV is now considered as one of many long-term health conditions and support services therefore should be integrated into the mainstream health and care service provision offer.

Service users would access support through mainstream services, including NHS HIV/TB treatment providers, Sexual Health Services, Substance Misuse Providers, Social Support and Housing Providers, Wellbeing Services, Education and employment services and Third Sector organisations e.g. BLGBT

We will try to reduce the impact by

A mapping exercise of existing services needs to be undertaken to establish the alternative pathways. The proposed decommissioning of this service will need to be clearly explained. Further work is needed to explore with NHS and social care commissioners and providers (including the Third Sector) how service users would continue to access mainstream support services to manage their conditions and access information and advice.

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AD104 19+ Fees and Charges Review

Directorate: Adult Social Care and Health

Service: Financial Assessment for Care & Support

About this service

Client Financial Services provide the end to end process for charging and the collection of income in Adult Social Care, including Financial Assessments, Invoicing and Debt Collection. The service operate within the bounds of the Care Act 2014 and Birmingham City Council policy on income and charging for care and support.

Proposed changes

To refine the current system for Financial Assessments to create a more efficient, fairer system of charging for those who access non-residential care. This will focus on the allowances and disregards including disability related expenditure that are included in the financial assessment. The financial assessment will remain individual to the client and uphold the principles in the Care and Support Statutory Guidance to ensure that people are not charged more than it is reasonably practicable for them to pay.

The amount currently spent on the service and the proposed reduction is shown below.

Total Spend 18/19	Income 18/19	Net Spend 18/19	Saving in 19/20	Saving in 20/21	Saving in 21/22	Saving in 22/23
	(£11.758)	(£11.758)	(£0.225m)	(£0.450m)	(£0.450m)	(£0.450m)

What would this mean?

There is expected to be an increase in care contributions from some service users who upon reassessment are deemed to be able to contribute an increased amount.

We will try to reduce the impact by

Ensuring that all financial assessments are carried out in a consistent, fair and evidence based manner and that no service user is asked to pay more than they can afford for their care. Where disability-related benefits are taken into account, the Council will make an assessment and allow the person to keep enough benefit to pay for necessary disability related expenditure to meet any needs which are not being met by the Council. The care and support plan will be a guide to support any Disability Related Expenditure or satisfactory evidence will be required. For example, copies of utility bills will evidence where above average heating costs should be considered.