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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which was received into this office on 17th March.

You Asked for:

Please reply to me to explain what you are going to be doing to ensure all people with a learning disability in Merseyside are getting the right support.

Our Response:

As part of the Transformation Care Programme (TCP) for Learning Disabilities & Autism, there is a Cheshire and Merseyside Board (which is co-chaired by a service user). Under this Board, there are 3 delivery hubs and Wirral CCG is part of the Cheshire and Wirral hub. The hub will have representatives that will be members of the Cheshire and Merseyside Board.

This is all forms part of Wirral CCG's governance processes and will feed into both our Governing Body and Wirral's Health and Well Being Board. Updates will also be provided to Wirral's All Age Disabilities Board, membership of which includes services users and carers.

The first draft of our plan, as you rightly state, has to be submitted to NHS England by the 8th February. This plan will set out to address the following:

1. Mobilising communities – Governance and stakeholder arrangements, coproduction
2. Understanding the status quo – baseline assessment of needs and services
3. Developing our vision for the future – vision, strategy and outcomes
4. Implementation planning – proposed service changes, pathways
5. Delivery – workforce planning
6. Finances – we need to demonstrate that we have ring fenced our budget and include any match funding requirements.

These areas are what we will be monitored against in terms of delivery.

In summary then, our plan is being currently worked on in readiness the first submission in February. In terms of what we are doing to ensure that all people with a learning disability in the area of Wirral will be getting the right support, we are co-producing this plan with services users and carers.

We can assure you that improving outcomes for those with a learning disability is a key priority for both NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group and Wirral Local Authority.

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