

3. LEARNING DISABILITY COMMISSIONING PLAN

A report had been circulated by the Director in respect of the strategic commissioning plan for adults with a learning disability.

The report recalled that at the meeting on of 24 March 2016 the Integration Joint Board (IJB) approved its strategic plan which included details of how high level outcomes were to be achieved through a process of strategic commissioning. The Strategic Plan also included a commitment to develop a series of care group based commissioning plans.

The West Lothian Strategic Commissioning Plans for Adults with a Learning Disability set out the strategic ambitions, priorities and next steps required for delivering integrated health and social care support and services for people with a learning disability and autism, their families and carers in West Lothian for the next three years. Attached to the report at Appendix 1 was the draft Learning Disability Commissioning Plan.

The Group was advised that this particular commissioning plan was complex to produce. It was proposed to develop a Lothian-wide resource for people from West Lothian with very complex care needs. Providers of local support services available for people with challenging behaviour would also be reviewed with cost comparisons carried out between local resources and out of area resources. It was also important to ensure that respite and short break opportunities were available to meet the needs of service users, families and carers.

During the course of the discussion a number of risks were highlighted, details of which were outlined in the report. The following amendments to the Plan were also recommended:

- Page 1, Councillor Toner was no longer the Chair of West Lothian Integration Joint Board. To be amended to Councillor Danny Logue to reflect the change; and
- Page 7, point 14, referred to West Lothian CHCP. This should read “West Lothian needs to continue.....”

The Group was asked for comments on the details of the strategic commissioning plan for adults with a learning disability. A report on the strategic commissioning plan for adults with a learning disability would be presented to the IJB meeting on 18 October 2016 for approval.

Decision

- 1) To note the contents of the commissioning plan for adults with a learning disability;
- 2) To note that the plan would be presented to the IJB on 18 October 2016 for approval, subject to the amendments outlined above.