

REPORT TO: Health & Wellbeing Board

DATE: 20 March 2024

REPORTING OFFICER: Executive Director, Adult Social Care

PORTFOLIO: Adult Social Care (ASC)

SUBJECT: Adult Social Care Annual Report 2022-2023

WARD(S) Borough Wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To provide the Health and Wellbeing Board with the ASC Annual report for 2022-2023.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the Board note the contents of the report

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Attached to this report is the ASC Annual Report for 2022-2023, also known as 'the local account'.

3.2 As agreed by Adults SMT in Spring 2023, the theme of this year's report is 'making a difference'. As well as context as to what the local provision of ASC looks like and the direction of ASC during the report period, the report also looks at how ASC has made a difference to people through the services we deliver, through our workforce and through innovative thinking.

3.3 The report looks at some examples of where services, staff and innovation have positively impacted on people who use our services. Sections contain feedback from people and staff as to how this has made a difference.

3.4 The report also contains high level data on service usage, spend, customer care and safeguarding.

3.5 In previous years the report has been published around springtime of the year following the report period. This year a decision was made to bring publication forward to autumn.

3.6 This is available on the HBC ASC website.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The Annual Report serves as a review mechanism for Adult Social Care to consider as part of ongoing continuous service improvement measures.

4.2 Whilst the report is not mandatory it is good practice, as endorsed by ADASS, and supports communication, information sharing and transparency between adult social care, the people who use our services and our stakeholders.

5.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 The Annual Report is published online, incurring no print costs.

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**

None identified at this stage.

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

None identified at this stage.

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

The report highlights the work of the Division.

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

None identified at this stage.

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

None identified at this stage.

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 As the report will be a publicly available document this may prompt challenge, comment or enquiry from the community and stakeholders.

7.2 As part of the publication process, once it has been presented to Health PPB and Health and Wellbeing Board, Service Development will inform HBC Communications team to let them know that the document is available in advance of public publication.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 None.

9.0 **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 None.

10.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF
THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

None under the meaning of the Act.