# **DISABLED PEOPLE'S PLAN 2009-2012 UPDATE**

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Papers with report	Action Plan

#### **HEADLINE INFORMATION**

Purpose	of report
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To provide Cabinet with a performance update on the Disabled People's Plan action plan for 2010-11 up to the end of quarter 3.

# Contribution to our plans and strategies

The Plan contributes to the delivery of the aims of:

- The Council's Single Equality Scheme and the six priorities within the Sustainable Community Strategy 2008 -2018. These are: Improving Health and Wellbeing, Strong and Active Communities, Protecting and Enhancing the Environment, Making Hillingdon Safer, A Thriving Economy and Improving Aspiration through education and learning;
- Disabled Children Strategy common issues have arisen within consultation for this Plan and in developing the Disabled Children Strategy;
- Joint Carers' Strategy (2008 2018) the Disabled People's Plan supports the objectives of this strategy.
- The plan also supports the objectives of the joint strategies for people of working age with physical and/or sensory disabilities, older people and adults with mental health needs.

# **Financial Cost**

Costs attributed to this plan are accounted for in individual service budgets

# Relevant Policy Overview Committee

Social Services, Health and Housing

## Ward(s) affected

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#### RECOMMENDATION

That Cabinet notes the progress made on the delivery of the 2010/11 Disabled People's Plan up to the end of Quarter 3.

# **INFORMATION**

#### Reasons for recommendation

- 1. The Disabled People's Plan was developed to identify and address some of the challenges facing disabled people of all ages in Hillingdon by identifying what the council can do directly, or through its influence with others, to improve the lives of disabled people and to maximise their health and wellbeing.
- 2. The update for Quarter one and two of the 2010/11 Disabled People's Plan was presented to Cabinet in November 2010. They requested that the quarter three update be presented to Cabinet in February.

# Alternative options considered / risk management

3. No alternative options were considered.

## **Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)**

4. The Adult Social Care, Health and Housing POC have not considered this report.

# **Supporting Information**

5. The quarter three position is set out in Appendix 1. However Cabinet may wish to note the following developments during the first three quarters of 2010/11:

# Priority One: Improving Health and Wellbeing

- Identifying the support needs of carers of people living with a stroke- The first of two structured 'listening exercises' has been carried out in 2010/11 with carers of people who are living with a stroke. Seven carers attended, as well as representatives from the Stroke Association. Information from this event is helping to shape services for carers (in developing information that carers have said they will find useful). This information is also feeding into the Integrated Service Provision Project (part of the council's Business Improvement Delivery Programme).
- Delivering the Reablement Programme- the Reablement project is now running. As
  of 15<sup>th</sup> December 2010, 293 users had been included in the project, 36% of whom
  had completed their period of rehabilitation with out need for further services from
  Adult Social Care Health and Housing.

## **Priority Two: Strong and Active Communities**

Improving services on offer to younger people in sports facilities - Hillingdon has
organised and hosted a swimming gala for disabled young people as part of the
London Youth Games. This was attended by 538 young disabled people across
London. £2000 of Aiming High funding has been secured by Planning, Environment
and Community Services to provide additional swimming sessions for younger
disabled people at the Hillingdon leisure centre and to develop multi-sports sessions
for disabled people at Botwell Lane.

## Priority Three: Protecting and Enhancing the Environment

• Carrying out parking measures like parking enforcement, car park security and improvements- The number of parking bays for disabled people has been reviewed and increased to 6% of the total number of spaces in all of the council's car parks. Access to parking spaces for disabled people has also been improved with areas being re-marked giving disabled people more room to open car doors fully.

# Priority Four: Making Hillingdon Safer

 Promoting community cohesion- The Community Safety Team have worked with Dash and Hayes Muslim centre to deliver outreach sessions and presentations to raise awareness of support available for disabled people. As a result of this work an accessible football club has been set up in partnership with the Hayes Muslim centre using the Botwell Lane leisure centre resulting in 12 young people with learning disabilities participating in a football course.

# **Priority Five: A Thriving Economy**

• Supporting 40 disabled people into employment through the Gateway Heathrow project - By the end of quarter two, 70 disabled people across the west London boroughs had been recruited through this project, which supports people gain employment in the hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism sector.

# Priority Six: Improving Aspiration Through Education and Learning

 Improving the educational standards of children with disabilities and additional needs- Education and Childrens services now have the responsibility for commissioning learning for young people with learning difficulties and disabilities (LDD). This was transferred for the Learning Skills Council and means that the approach to commissioning is now more joined up and focussed on Hillingdon learners.

## **Financial Implications**

6. The tasks contained in this action plan will be carried out within existing resources.

#### **EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES**

#### What will be the effect of the recommendation?

7. The Plan seeks to ensure responsive services and better outcomes for disabled people.

#### **Consultation Carried Out or Required**

8. The Disabled People's Plan is taken to the Disabled People's Assembly steering group and issues are consulted upon at the Disabled People's Assembly. Further consultation will be carried out with service users and user groups to identify the difference that services are making.

#### CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

#### **Corporate Finance**

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and its recommendations and is satisfied, that the cost of implementing the action plan will be contained within the existing budgets.

#### Legal

10. The Disabled People's Plan is underpinned by the Equality Act 2010, which harmonises and extends the law on disability discrimination and which replaces the Disability Discrimination Acts of 1995 and 2005. Therefore, the Plan will need to be kept under review and may need to be adjusted in future to take account of these changes so that the Council is at all times fully compliant with its legal obligations.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Hillingdon Partners Sustainable Community Strategy 2008 – 2018 Older People's Plan 2008 – 2011 Hillingdon Disability Equality Scheme Hillingdon Single Equality Scheme Disabled Children's Strategy Disabled People's Plan 2009-2012