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Merton Council

Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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Responsibilities of Adult Social Care

- Meet statutory duties under the Care Act 2014
- Implement ASC reforms; Integration, Charging (delayed for 2 years) CQC Assurance, Liberty protection safeguards, Fair cost of care
- Manage relationships with the local Integrated Care System (Health)
- Health inequalities and health delivery across the borough
- Adults of working age with physical or learning disabilities
- Older adults (+65)
- Dementia and mental health services across health and social care
- Personalised care and support
- Cost of Living: Lead member for food poverty
- Support for informal carers
- Monitor care markets, including residential care, nursing care, homecare
- Adult Safeguarding

Responsibilities of Public Health

- Protect and improve population health and reduce inequalities
- Focus on prevention and treatment and improving the health of the poorest
- Health and Wellbeing Board, Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, Health in All Policies and independent Annual Public Health Report
- Commissioning Health Visitors and school nurses; drug and alcohol misuse, sexual health and healthy lifestyles
- Health protection oversight (screening, immunisation, infection control, emergency planning); Covid-19 and Flu local outbreak management

Adult Social Care in Numbers

- **1783** people are currently in receipt of direct services from adult social care.
- **2435** people received services during 2022
- **1519** people benefit from our Mascot telecare service which provides remote telemonitoring and response services and provides the out of hours service for the council.
- **185** people are currently in Long Stay Nursing Care
- **245** people are currently in Long Stay Residential Care
- **135** people living in supported living schemes
- **702** people are currently receiving Domiciliary Care at home

Adult Social Care in Numbers

- At any one time around **45-50** people are in receipt of Reablement Services following a hospital discharge
- We support the discharge from hospital of around **60-70** people every week
- **320** people organize their care and support using a Direct Payment
- Around **1000** informal carers received services/information/advice in 2022
- **3411** pieces of equipment and adaptations completed by Occupational therapists in 2022.
- We support **35** people in 4 supported living schemes across the borough
- We operate 2 residential care homes for **9** people with a Learning Disability
- Our three directly provided day centres support **120** people

Priorities

- Tackling health inequalities
- Maintain all services at St Helier Hospital
- Mitcham Health and Wellbeing Hub
- Colliers Wood Surgery/ Rowan Surgeries
- Provide high quality services on a best value basis during inflationary times
- Safeguard vulnerable adults
- Improve services for people with a learning disability
- Food Poverty
- CQC Inspection
- Recommission Homecare contract