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Summary

The Commissioning Team has produced a prospectus which sets out the City of London Corporation's vision and commitment for commissioning services for adults. Through this document, the Department of Community and Children's Services will strengthen the commissioning arrangements for adults.

The Department of Community and Children's Services has a combination of in-house, spot-purchased and commissioned services. The prospectus sets out to the market the pragmatic approach to commissioning that is taken to ensure that the processes best fit the scale of service required and do not discourage potential providers from wanting to work in partnership with the City.

The commissioning prospectus aims to inform residents, colleagues, Members and current and potential service providers of our commissioning approach and position, and the opportunities that this provides.

The prospectus complements the Commissioning for Children and Young People Prospectus that was shared with Community and Children's Services Committee on 9 September 2016.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- Note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. Commissioning provides the means through which the City of London Corporation can achieve its vision of demonstrating its values and delivering the priorities set out in the departmental Business Plan and other supporting strategies. The Commissioning Team has developed a document which demonstrates the commitment of the Department of Community and Children's Services to:

- a continuous process of better understanding and identification of needs
- better design and delivery of responses and services, and
- ongoing evaluation and development of interventions.

2. The prospectus is laid out in six sections and covers the following topics:
 - Strategic context – national legislation and local strategic policy
 - Information about the City of London Corporation and our communities
 - Our service offer to adults
 - The City's commissioning approach
 - Our commitment to service provider partners
 - Additional information – which will embed web links to relevant strategies and documents.
3. The document incorporates the City's commitment and expectations around safeguarding, particularly for adults at risk.
4. The commissioning prospectus was produced in consultation with members of the Adults Service Improvement Board, the Adults Senior Management Team and the Departmental Leadership Team.

Current Position

5. The prospectus has been agreed and approved by the Departmental Leadership Team.

Proposals

6. It is proposed that the prospectus is reviewed and updated on an annual basis, alongside the Commissioning for Children and Young People Prospectus, at the beginning of each financial year so as to incorporate references and linkages to new and/or updated strategies.

Implications

7. The Strategic Communications and Engagement Manager for the Department of Community and Children's Services has been consulted during the development of the prospectus. The document has been formatted in line with the Department of Community and Children's Services communications strategy.

Conclusion

8. The prospectus forms part of the City of London Corporation's ongoing commitment to improving commissioning for all our communities.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Commissioning Prospectus, Services for Adults

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