

**Meeting:** Health and Wellbeing Board  
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**Key Decision:** No  
**Title of Report:** FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Adult Social Care Strategies  
Annual Report April 2023 - March 2024

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## **1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1. To provide the Health and Wellbeing Board with the end of year summary report of the three Adult Social Care Strategies for period April 2023 to March 2024.

## **2. Recommendations**

### **It is recommended that Cabinet:**

- 2.1. The Board to acknowledge the Adult Social Care Strategies Annual Report for 2023/24, covering the three core strategies – Ageing Well, Caring Well and Living Well.

## **3. Background**

- 3.1. The Council's five year Adult Social Care Strategies (Ageing Well, Caring Well and Living Well) have been co-designed with people who use services, along with their friends and families. They focus on how the council will support individuals across the city, including older adults, those with care and support needs related to learning disabilities, mental health challenges, autism, and additional physical or sensory difficulties, as well as the friends and family of individuals with these needs.
- 3.2. The three core strategies, Ageing Well, Caring Well and Living Well set out priorities until 2027.
- 3.3. Annual action plans have been established to advance the delivery of each strategy. Partnership Groups are formed to manage the development, implementation, and monitoring of these yearly action plans.

3.4. All action plans aim to further develop co-production and ensure alignment across services, as well as other department plans and strategies, to reduce duplication and make efficient use of available resources.

3.5. All partners will be working together to refresh all three core strategies in the coming year.

#### **4. Reasons for Decisions**

4.1 The governance of the three strategies require the submission of an end-of-year report to the HWBB.

#### **5. Other Options**

5.1. N/A

#### **6. Financial Implications**

6.1. The aspirations and outcomes of these strategies are to prevent, reduce and delay need. This provides efficiencies across the service whilst balancing the rising demand and complexity of need.

#### **7. Legal Implications**

7.1. The Adult Social Care Strategies are in line with the Council's Adult Social Care responsibilities, set out in relevant legislation such as the Care Act 2014, the Mental Capacity Act 2002 and the Mental Health Act 1983, as well as associated regulations and Statutory Guidance.

#### **8. Policy Context**

8.1 Care Act 2014 compliance and best practice.

#### **9. Carbon Impact**

9.1. N/A

#### **10. Equalities**

10.1. In delivering their Care Act functions, the Council takes action to achieve equity of experience and outcomes for all individuals, groups and communities within Southend-on-Sea; they are required to have regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty (Equalities Act 2010) in the way the strategies are delivered each year.

#### **11. Consultation**

11.1. N/A

#### **12. Appendices**

12.1. **Appendix 1:**

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