Equality and Rights Impact Assessment

2015-2018 Budget Summary Report

What budget option does this ERIA information relate to?

Expand care at home to reduce new care home placements for older people (changing balance of care)

Option number	HSC8	
Savings proposal	Expand Care at Home to reduce new care home placements for older people (changing balance of care)	
Division	Older People's & Disability Services	
Service area	Older People's Services	

Description of savings proposal

Reduce new care home placements for older people by 10 per month by expanding Care at Home, thus shifting the balance of care from residential to home-based services.

What are the main impacts of this option on rights?

A clear majority of older people wish to remain in their own homes for as long a possible. This proposal affects people assessed as being able to be supported in their own homes, rather than be admitted to a care home. The Council has recently developed a 'Step Down' service in care homes which gives people, following a stay in hospital, a period to be assessed in a safe environment with rehabilitation to improve self-care and mobility and to help ascertain whether they can be supported at home. The Council also runs Home Care Reablement and Intermediate Care Services which support people to become more independent in their own homes, very often following discharge from hospital. Care in people's own homes can also be supplemented by Telehealthcare and a range of other supports which make it more possible for people with higher level needs to stay at home.

What are the main impacts of this option on equality?

All impacts on equalities are positive: increasing care at home for people with high needs improves their life choices.

What are the main recommendations to address either the positive or negative impacts?

None: a number of measures are already in hand to increase the volume of care at home services in the city.

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Carbon Impact Assessment Template

BUDGET OPTION (number/title/details)	HSC8: Expand care at home to reduce new care home placements for older people (changing balance of care)				
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COUNCIL CARBON EMISSIONS	IMPACTS			NOTES	
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WASTE to landfill			Х		
BUILDINGS energy usage			х		
INFRASTRUCTURE energy usage			Х		
TRANSPORT fuel consumption	Х			Locality based contracts should reduce travel time and hence carbon emissions	

- ↓ = anticipated decrease in emissions
- ↑ = anticipated increase in emissions
- \leftrightarrow = no change anticipated