

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

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**STATEMENT OF THE ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH INTEGRATION  
PORTFOLIO HOLDER COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL HARRISON****Additional Social Care funding**

Members will welcome the recent government announcement of £240m winter funding for adult social care, as well as further funding for 2019/20 set out in the Chancellor's October Budget Statement. We are awaiting the details of these new funding streams and will work with our partners in the NHS and in the wider care sector to ensure that the money is well spent. However, it should be noted that this funding, whilst it is good news, is one-off. I would like to reiterate the call made by this Council that social care requires a long-term, sustainable funding settlement, which enables individuals, families, councils and care providers to be able to plan ahead with certainty and confidence.

**Social Care Green Paper**

It is anticipated that the Government will publish the Social Care Green Paper before Christmas. In the meantime, North Yorkshire County Council has responded to the publication of the LGA's Green Paper, *'The lives we want to lead'* and the CCN's report *'Sustainable Social Care: A Green Paper that Delivers a New Deal for Counties'*. As a County Council, North Yorkshire has long called for a twin-track approach to social care reform, combining a sustainable funding settlement, with a fairer system which enables people to plan for their own futures. In our consultation response, it was acknowledged that the issues facing social care are wider than just funding models and also include housing issues; integration with the NHS; carers' support; workforce; prevention and technology and the challenges in the care market. The response was informed by views expressed by members at Area Constituency Committees and relevant Scrutiny Committees, and attracted significant media attention.

**Extra Care**

I have been pleased to be able to bring forward to Executive proposals for the development of new extra care schemes in Bedale, Benthams and Filey. These three schemes will mark the next phase of extra care housing in the County, in addition to the 22 schemes which are already in place and the new scheme which is opening in Starbeck.

**Delayed Transfers of Care**

The Council continues to make good progress with reducing the number of people who are delayed in hospital for social care reasons. We have halved the number of people impacted over the past 18 months. We are now preparing for the busiest time of year over the winter period.

## **West Yorkshire and Harrogate STP/ICS**

The West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership was established in March 2016 as a Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) and is now in the process of becoming an Integrated Care System (ICS). This Partnership is made up of a range of organisations working together across West Yorkshire and Harrogate (including Craven) to get the best care and health outcomes for 2.6 million people. The partnership has developed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlining how partners will work together. The MOU aims to strengthen joint working arrangements and to support the next stage of development of the Partnership into an ICS. It builds on existing collaborative work to establish more robust mutual accountability and break down barriers between our separate organisations.

As part of this work, I have been pleased to represent the County Council in the meetings of Council Leaders and Health and Well-being Board Chairs to promote democratic accountability within the new ICS.

## **HAS Awards 2018**

With Councillor Dickinson, I was delighted to host our annual Awards which recognise the excellent work and dedication shown by Health and Adult Services colleagues, particularly where people have exceeded the expectations of their role. This year there were 136 nominations across 14 categories of award which included a number of new categories for this year including 6 Locality Achievement of the Year awards, Mental and Physical Health and Wellbeing Achievement awards and Public Health Practitioner of the Year. The winners were chosen by a judging panels comprising people who use services and representatives from frontline teams.