

Supporting People Directorate Budget Consultation

Accessible Consultation Document 21st March – 10th May 2017

Birmingham City Council approved its budget on 28th February 2017

Two of the identified budget areas were the Supporting People Programme and the Grants Programme to some third sector organisations.

The savings across both programmes is £3.2 million in 2017/18 increasing to £5.0million in 2018/19.

This consultation document and financial information assumes the **FULL** savings from the Supporting People programme only. Any savings achieved within the grant programme will reduce the amount of savings required within the Supporting People programme.

Introduction

What are we consulting on?

We are consulting on our proposals to achieve the required £3.2m reductions for 2017/18 and a further £1.8m worth of reduction for 2018/19.



How will we consult people?



Who will we be asking?

- We will be asking people who use our services and carers
- Health partners and Birmingham City Council Staff
- Organisations that provide adult care – private and third sector (charities)



How will we do this?

- You can attend consultation meetings
- Fill in questionnaires
- Email and telephone
- We will listen and take note of your ideas



What will happen then?

- We will publish (share) what you have told us and what we plan to do next
- Share the changes that have been made from listening to your ideas and views
- Share what we have not been able to change and why
- We will write a report to our cabinet with what we have found out

How long will the consultation last for?



- Begins 21st March 2017
- Finishes (closing date) 10th May 2017

Who will be affected by the results of this consultation?



- People in need of housing related supported services (Supporting People)
- Adults who have or may need adult social care services
- Young people who use or may need adult social care
- Carers for adults who live in Birmingham
- Police, Fire and Fire Rescue Services
- Health organisations, Birmingham City Council and their staff
- Private, third sector (sometimes called registered charities) , voluntary and partner organisations

Background information Supporting People

	<p>About this service – In Birmingham the Supporting People Programme offers housing support to a wide range of vulnerable groups to move into independent housing and keep their tenancy.</p>
	<p>Supporting People supports people to be part of their community and to live independent lives. Supporting People helps people with their health and wellbeing.</p>



Section 1 – Specific Proposals

Proposal 1:

Proposed changes - What would this mean?



<p><u>The amount currently spent is:</u></p> <p><u>The savings needed?</u></p>	<p>The amount of money spent in 16/17 is £24.108 million pound.</p> <p>The reductions that need to be made are £3.2 million in 17/18 and another £1.8million pound by 18/19.</p> <p>Table below shows the reductions to the Supporting People Grant from 2017/18 - 18/19</p> <table><tr><th>Financial Year</th><th>Reduction to</th></tr><tr><td>17/18</td><td>£20.908 million</td></tr><tr><td>18/19</td><td>£19.108 million</td></tr></table> <p>£5million pounds saving in total over 2 years</p>	Financial Year	Reduction to	17/18	£20.908 million	18/19	£19.108 million
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<p><u>Options to be considered</u></p> <p><u>Options to be considered</u></p>	<p>To close some of the services that do not offer direct service to people and use the money towards the reductions that have to be made.</p> <p>To look at different ways of getting funding/money to spend on services.</p>						

	<p>To remove the Gateway service - people and agencies refer to this service to use Supporting People Services.</p> <p>To close this service will mean agencies and people that use services, will contact the provider by themselves or by other ways e.g. Housing options team.</p>
<p><u>Options to be considered</u></p> 	<p>Youth Hub (Young People's Homeless Advice Service) and Rough Sleeper Outreach services.</p> <p>The council will continue to fund this service.</p> <p>The money to support this service <u>will not</u> come from Supporting People budget.</p>
	<p><u>What next?</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do you agree or disagree with all of the proposals? 2. Have you any ideas how to deliver services differently in the future that would save money? 3. Do you have any other views on the reductions that are to be made? Share your comments and thoughts with us.

We want to hear from you



Downloading the documents and completing a questionnaire on-line

Have your say;

We want to hear from you. If you need any help and support you can contact us by:

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