

Report to the Cabinet

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 5 September 2024

Report of the Director of Strategic & Integrated Commissioning

Part I

Electoral Division affected:
(All Divisions);

Corporate Priorities:
Caring for the vulnerable;

**Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy
2024-29**

(Appendix 'A' refers)

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Brief Summary

A new Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29 is presented to Cabinet, following extensive engagement with partners in health and social care, hospices, the voluntary sector, and with those with lived experience and their carers in Lancashire and South Cumbria. The Dementia Strategy identifies five key priorities for the Integrated Care System to focus on over the next five years, to be delivered through five sub-groups which ensure broad and inclusive representation.

This is deemed to be a Key Decision and the requirements of the council's Cabinet procedure rules (Standing Order C18, Consideration of Key Decisions) have been complied with.

Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to approve the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29, as set out at Appendix 'A'.

Detail

The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Strategy aims to transform the health and social care system for the better, both for those living with



dementia today and those who may receive a diagnosis in the future, as well as awareness raising for early intervention across Lancashire and South Cumbria.

Within the Lancashire-12 area, there are 11,416 known cases of dementia in people aged 65, with 68.8% of those being aged 65 and over, who are estimated to have dementia, having had a recorded diagnosis (Primary Care Dementia, Data March 2024). Estimated prevalence figures suggest that approximately 0.87% of the population of Lancashire is living with dementia, a figure that is significantly above the England average of 0.76%.

Strategy Overview

The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29 is divided into five priority areas, which reflect the pillars of the NHS Dementia Well Pathway:

- **Preventing well** - Preventing avoidable cases of dementia, through taking action to support people to reduce their risk of developing dementia.
- **Diagnosing well** – Improving people's experience of receiving a diagnosis of dementia, and Improved performance against the national diagnosis rate target.
- **Supporting well** - to have joined up working between services and ensure workforce groups supporting people with dementia and their carers are equipped with the knowledge and skills to deliver appropriate care and support, as well as ensuring the workforce is supported to deliver excellent quality care.
- **Living well** - to ensure that people with dementia and their carers can live normally in safe and accepting communities where they feel supported and included.
- **Dying well** – to ensure that people with dementia can die with dignity in their place of choosing, with a jointly agreed end of life plan, along with palliative care and an appropriate pain relief.

The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29 was developed during 2023/24, through extensive discussions across the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System, with partners from other councils, health, the Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise sector, hospices, those with lived experience and their informal carers.

In support of the county council's Corporate Priorities, the five priorities of the Strategy will drive a collaborative approach with partners to deliver effective, efficient, and appropriate services, and will support and enable people living with dementia today, those that may receive a future diagnosis, and their informal carers, to enjoy a better quality of life.

The county council's Living Better Lives in Lancashire Vision and strength based approach for Adult Social Care will compliment and support the implementation of the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy. The key priority is to make a difference to the lives of vulnerable adults, ensuring they



can live independently in a place they call home. This means it focuses on what people can do, rather than what they cannot do.

A delivery plan will be co-produced to identify specific activity for each priority, to ensure implementation of the strategy across the Integrated Care System and alignment with Living Better Lives in Lancashire.

Appendices

Appendix 'A' is attached to this report. For clarification, it is summarised below and referenced at relevant points within this report.

Appendix	Title
Appendix 'A'	Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29

Consultations

Partners have consulted with their networks throughout the development phase, which has included the Lancashire and South Cumbria Carers Partnership, Lancashire and South Cumbria Foundation Trust Carers Partnership, East Lancashire Dementia Carers Café, amongst others. As part of the development of the recently approved Lancashire County Council Carers Strategy, throughout 2023, Lancashire County Council Commissioners held various focus groups and one-to-one sessions across Lancashire. This included people with lived experience of, and those caring for someone with dementia, and insights were used to inform the priorities of this Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy.

Going forward, each delivery plan sub-group will have representation of those with lived experience of dementia and their carers and, as the Strategy is delivered, feedback will be obtained on the impact that the work is having on the quality of care received, and to identify any areas which require further work to improve their experience.

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Legal

The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29 helps the county council meet its obligations under the Care Act 2014.

Financial

The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29 does not identify any specific budget or financial requirements.



Risk management

Approval of the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29 will support the county council to meet its duties under the Care Act to prevent, reduce and delay care and support needs, and to shape the market for care and support in Lancashire.

Equality and Cohesion

Evidence suggests that dementia is likely to have a disproportionate impact on older people (the age protected characteristic) and that many people who have dementia will meet the Equality Act's definition of disability. It is anticipated that the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care System Dementia Strategy 2024-29 will contribute positively to the Public Sector Equality Duty's general aims and particularly the aim of advancing equality of opportunity for groups with protected characteristics, including the sub-aim of increasing their participation in public life.

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
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None

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A

