LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN

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REPORT TITLE

How Camden's Health and Care System supports Disabled residents

REPORT OF

Director of Adult Social Care Strategy and Commissioning

FOR SUBMISSION TO

DATE

Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee | 11th February 2025

SUMMARY OF REPORT

This report sets out a range of perspectives on the question 'How Camden's Health and Care System supports Disabled residents' for an initial discussion at Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee.

A short exercise was undertaken looking at existing research and contacting Camden partner organisations to develop this initial report. The attached slides, in Appendix A, are intended to start a conversation.

This includes perspectives on areas of support, delivered through existing services and organisations, and potential challenges Disabled residents experience when accessing the health and care system. It also includes further considerations and suggestions to develop this discussion.

Local Government Act 1972 – Access to Information

No documents that require listing were used in the preparation of this report.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to:

- a) note and comment on the matters set out in the report, including the suggested ways to develop this discussion;
- b) identify key lines of enquiry from the report.

Signed:

Chris Lehmann, Director of Adult Social Care Strategy and Commissioning

Date: 31 January 2025

1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1. The Health and Adult Social Care (HASC) Scrutiny Committee requested an item on 'How Camden's Health and Care System supports Disabled residents.' This report would set out a range of perspectives from local partner organisations for initial discussion at the HASC Committee. The HASC Committee would then identify some key lines of enquiry, asking Council Officers and NHS partners to undertake more detailed work into these areas. Each key line of enquiry would then be brought back to the HASC Committee for deeper discussion.
- 1.2. This report is designed to start this discussion at HASC Committee. The attached slides, in Appendix A, give some suggested themes, which may aid initial identification of the key lines of enquiry. The Appendix also includes perspectives on areas of support, delivered through existing services and organisations, and potential challenges Disabled residents experience when accessing the health and care system. Considerations and suggestions are also made, which may aid further development of this discussion.
- 1.3. In preparation of this report, a short exercise was undertaken looking at existing research and contacting Camden partner organisations and services. Consideration was given to contacting a variety of organisations that may support Disabled people, including physical disability; mental health; learning disability, d/Deaf people and those who are blind or living with sight loss.
- 1.4. The key partners who responded to this request included:
 - Camden Disability Action
 - Camden Healthwatch
 - Age UK Camden
 - Camden Carers
 - Voluntary Action Camden
 - Information was also sought from Council Adult Social Care services.

2. Finance Comments of the Executive Director Corporate Services

- 2.1. The Executive Director of Corporate Services has been consulted on the contents of the report and has no comments to add to the report.
- 3. Legal Comments of the Borough Solicitor
- 3.1. There are no legal implications arising from this report.
- 4. Environmental Implications
- 4.1. This project has no environment impacts.
- 5. Appendix

Appendix A – Themes for discussion: how Camden's Health and Care System supports Disabled residents.

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