

DRAFT - Supporting Information and Impact Assessment

Proposal:	Community Engagement
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Section 1: Background Information	
1.	<p>What is the proposal / issue?</p> <p>The proposal is to delete the vacant Community Engagement Officer Post resulting in a £22k saving.</p>
2.	<p>What is the current situation?</p> <p>The Community Engagement Officer role is currently vacant and has been vacant since the beginning of August 2016.</p> <p>The purpose of the role was to co-ordinate co-production activity in the commissioning and procurement of community based support services commissioned by the Authority, and working with partners, to ensure that the voice and the role of the service user is reflected in service development. The role also provided line management for a Link Worker.</p> <p>Co production is the process of working in an equal and reciprocal partnership with professionals and people who use services, and the wider community, to improve and develop public services.</p> <p>This proposal is made as part of the savings targets for 2017/18.</p>

<p>3.</p>	<p>What options have been considered?</p> <p>Options considered:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Discontinue community engagement activity altogether 2) Explore potential for the Link Worker to be transferred to another commissioned advocacy and engagement service. <p>Option 2 has been proposed as the Link Worker could be co-located to another commissioned advocacy and engagement service to provide further opportunities to engage with the community, whilst retaining links to the Partnership Commissioning Team (PCT) in Torbay Council and the commissioning workplan.</p> <p>Discussions will now need to take place with key stakeholders to understand if option 2 is viable.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>How does this proposal support the ambitions, principles and delivery of the Corporate Plan 2015-19?</p> <p>The proposal supports:</p> <p>Principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use reducing resources to best effect • Integrated and joined up approach <p>Targeted actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting and supporting vulnerable adults
<p>5.</p>	<p>Who will be affected by this proposal and who do you need to consult with?</p> <p>The proposal will have an impact on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Link Worker • Key Stakeholders i.e. PCT . • The proposal may have an impact on the wider community of people using services as there is the potential that that co-production may be less effective <p>The following stakeholders will need to be made aware of the consultation so they have the opportunity to make any representations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link Worker • Speaking Out Torbay (SPOT) • Torbay Voice volunteers • Torbay Community Development Trust • Partnership Commissioning Team (PCT) • Healthwatch • Commissioned services

6.	<p>How will you propose to consult?</p> <p>The proposal will be considered in the general budget consultation and questionnaire.</p> <p>The key stakeholders identified above will need to be made aware of the consultation and provided with details and support if required on how they can make any further representations about the proposals.</p>
<p>Section 2: Expected Implications and Impact Assessment (These sections will be updated and expanded following the consultation period.)</p>	
7.	<p>What are the <u>expected</u> financial and legal implications?</p> <p>Financial saving of £22,000</p>
8.	<p>What are the <u>expected</u> risks?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to co-produce services may be reduced/restricted • If proposal is not accepted, savings will need to be found elsewhere.