

Every Decision about care is a decision about Housing

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- To ensure adult social care is considered in all major decisions across the regions economy with system leaders

- Aims of the Board

- To look for investment from new sources

- To sustain and grow the sector in line with changing demand & expectations

- To make the case for world class, future proofed services

Care Opportunity Innovation Network – Priorities 2022/23

- Priority 1: Social Value

- Priority 2: Housing

- Priority 3: Innovation & TEC

People at the Heart of Care

- A series of measures announced in the Adult Social Care white paper aim to integrate housing into local health and care strategies, with a focus on increasing the range of new supported housing options.
- All councils will be required to develop, refresh or strengthen a strategic housing plan.
- Each place will need to agree delivery plans investing in jointly commissioned services.

People at the Heart of Care

- A Housing Roundtable for system leaders in the North East & North Cumbria across Health, Housing and Social Care took place in October. The meeting considered how the aims of the Adult Social Care white paper could be delivered in the region.
- Areas of discussion:
 - partnership arrangements to develop principles of ways of working
 - governance arrangements via a Housing steering group
 - delivery programmes with stretch targets and PI's
 - investor understanding of Adult Social Care reforms along with investment opportunities.
- Agreement to explore funding from partners for the development of a regional housing programme.
- Agreement reached to scope out the work of a Housing Alliance.

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Building on the Care Acts housing focus the adult social care reform white paper, sets out a 10 year vision to allow people to have choice, control and support to live independent lives.

In particular it aims to

- support more people to live independently in the community, outside of institutional settings
- drive a significant and sustained increase in the stock of supported housing
- develop other models of housing with care & support

Success will see housing play a greater role in the local health & care systems, shape and stimulate the market for supported housing through local plans, develop partnerships and long term strategies to drive change.

White Paper drivers

Every place to have a jointly owned local strategy embedding housing in broader health and care strategies

Local response

Housing roundtable held October 2022
Commitment from Senior Health, Housing & care Leaders to work together via Task & Finish Group

Regional conference held 23rd May 2023 & Development programme launched.

Areas of work underdevelopment, Vision, Priorities, ways of working, joint commissioning frameworks.

White Paper drivers

Develop a stakeholder map and engagement plan aimed at establishing a strategic housing alliance for the region to focus on delivery of housing, health and care program's at place.

Local partnerships strategies based on strong evidence of need and supply embedding housing on a geographic footprint that works as the foundation for delivery to boost supply of supported housing

Baselining. Undertake a critical review of the existing housing strategies, available data (NHC) and plans of partners, to establish the extent to which they reflect current and future need and help people to live safely and independently.

Produce a regional methodology, future demand modelling and supporting analytics data set and housing intelligence for place for the long term.

Other policy directives to consider - Supported Housing Bill

Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) is due to achieve Royal Assent in the summer.

The bill is looking at introducing a set of national standards, a supported housing licensing scheme, and a duty around local supported housing strategies (in effect the same strategic approach as in the social care white paper).

The aim is to require all local authorities to thoroughly understand their local supported housing needs and providers (all age and client groups), and to only provide licenses to providers who meet those needs as well as the new national standards.

Housing Task Force – Older people

A cross-department task force established with a strong focus on improving housing and care for older people

To explore ways to expand and offer a good range of housing and care options for older people.

To provide more choices for older people that sit between care ‘at home’ and moving to a care home, and follows an open letter to the Prime Minister last year signed by more than 40 politicians and campaigners, calling for the 2020s to be the “decade of housing-with-care”.

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