

Independence, Well-being and Choice, a Green Paper on Adult Social Care: Consultation Questions
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Would you be interested in attending a consultation event to discuss these issues further?

Yes No

If you have any general comments which do not relate to specific questions in the document, please make them here.

1. Does the vision for adult social care summarise what social care for adults should be trying to achieve in the 21st century?

Yes No Not entirely

2. Independence, Well-being and Choice sets out seven outcomes for social care:

- Improved health
- Improved quality of life
- Making a positive contribution
- Exercise of choice and control
- Freedom from discrimination or harassment
- Economic well-being
- Personal dignity

Are these the right outcomes for social care?

Yes No

3. What are your views about how we can strike an appropriate balance in managing risks between individuals, the community and the social care worker?

4. Should we take forward proposals to minimise the need for people to provide broadly the same information, for instance by sharing information between agencies such as the local authority and the Department of Work and Pensions?

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Yes No

5. We welcome views on modernising assessment and putting individuals at its centre. We are particularly interested in the practicalities of self-assessment. Do you think that there should be professional social work involvement in some or all assessments?

Yes No

6. Do you have views on whether the Single Assessment Process (SAP), the Care Programme Approach (CPA) and Person Centred Planning (PCP) should be further developed to provide a tool for use with all people with complex needs?

7. How can we encourage greater take up of direct payments in under-represented groups such as older people and people with mental health problems?

8. Extending the scope of direct payments. Do you think we should review the exclusions under the direct payments regulations?

Yes No

Do you think that extending direct payments should initially be a power or a duty for local councils?

Power Duty

What do you think about the proposal to extend direct payments via an agent to groups currently excluded, namely those unable to give consent or manage a payment, even with assistance?

9. Changing the name of direct payments. Which name for direct payments is the most appropriate? Are there any others?

When do you think the change should be introduced?

10. We are committed to the introduction of individual budgets to give people greater control over their lives. We would welcome views on the proposals to pilot individual budgets.

11. We are proposing to introduce a care navigator/broker model and would welcome views on these proposals.

What are your views on the skills needed to perform the function and whether such a model might free social worker expertise to deal with the most complex cases?

12. What do you think will be the impact of shifting the balance of services from high-level need to earlier, preventative interventions on the eligibility criteria and what this might mean for Fair Access to Care Services (FACS)?

13. What is the best approach to strengthening leadership at council member level?

14. Do you support the introduction of a strategic needs assessment to inform the development of the social care market?

Yes No

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15. How can local authorities stimulate the market to offer a range and diversity of provision which meets the outcomes demanded by the vision?

16. Do you support the proposal to develop a strategic commissioning framework?

Yes No

17. Is the proposed shift to a preventative model of care the right approach?

Yes No

18. What are your views on approaches to promoting and developing partnership working across agencies and effective models for so doing?

19. What help and support is needed to help local authorities and other social care providers to work with people using services and carers to transform services?

20. Do you have innovative models of provision which support the outcomes of our vision?

Yes No

21. Do you have views on appropriate performance measures to encourage the implementation of the vision?

22. How can central Government best enable Local Strategic Partnerships develop and monitor progress on cross-cutting issues?

23. Do you think the direction proposed for strengthening and developing skills in the workforce is right?

Yes No

24. How can we improve and better integrate local workforce planning?

25. What actions are needed by Government and others to assist employers in recruiting, retaining and developing the workforce?

26. How can we strengthen the links with the voluntary and community sector, and increase community capacity?

We would welcome your views on the partial Regulatory Impact Assessment which has been published alongside Independence, Well-being and Choice.

If you would like to say anything else about issues raised in Independence, Well-being and Choice please do so here.

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