

Item No.	Classification: Open	Date: 26 September 2016	Meeting Name: Cabinet Member for Adult Care and Financial Inclusion
Report title:		Dementia Friendly Support and Advice – Grant	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All Wards- People living with dementia, their families and communities	
From:		Strategic Director of Children’s and Adults’ Services	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That the Cabinet Member for Adult Care and Financial Inclusion agree the first six months payment of a grant to the Alzheimer’s Society for the sum of £81,172 to provide a range of support services and to drive the development of a dementia friendly community in Southwark. This grant to be paid from 1 October 2016 until 31 March 2017.
2. To agree a further grant payment of up to £162,344 to the Alzheimer’s Society to fund these services for up to another year from April 2017 to March 2018. This further funding being dependent upon financial resources being available through the Better Care Fund (BCF) and in the strategic commissioning decisions made by the council and the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) in relation to the adoption of a new dementia pathway.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. Children’s and Adults’ Services currently fund specialist dementia support provided by the Alzheimer’s Society through a grant comprising funds provided through the BCF. The current grant expires at the end of September 2016.
4. The current grant paid by the council funds a range of posts and associated costs, these being:
 - 2 x Dementia Community Navigation working with GP surgeries with primarily hard to reach people living with dementia,
 - Dementia Action Alliance Coordinator – which is overseeing the council’s commitment to Southwark becoming a dementia friendly community (In line with the Fairer Future Promises Ten commitment to the borough becoming a place to age well)
 - Dementia café – providing support to people living with dementia and the family members through a peer support café
 - Support Worker – providing ongoing support to people living with dementia and their families, through support groups, case work etc.
 - Adviser –supporting people who are newly diagnosed, primarily through the specialist memory services in acute hospitals.
5. Due to interest in expanding the role of the navigator within the context of the development of a new dementia pathway in Southwark and the evolution of two

Local Care networks (LCN's) in Southwark, the BCF increased the level of funding to include a second Dementia care Navigator to work in GP surgeries in the south of the borough.

6. The strategic management of the BCF locally is through the Integrated Working Group, made up of senior managers from the council and the Clinical Commissioning Group. This group sets the strategic priorities of the fund, as well as charting the progress and the impact of the various BCF initiatives.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

7. People living with dementia are similarly requiring increasing levels of care and support across the wider health and social care economy. It is also estimated there are 670,000 carers of people with dementia in the UK. The financial cost of dementia to the UK is estimated to be £23 billion per annum.
8. The Departmental of Health dementia calculator, indicates that the rate of prevalence. In Southwark the number of people who have been diagnosed is currently 1,170, which is thought to be approximately 75.4% of all those thought to be living with the condition. This compares with an average rate of 71.1% throughout London.
9. There is an ongoing national drive to increase early diagnosis across the health and social care system. Early diagnosis can allow people with dementia the ability to make decisions about their future whilst they still retain a degree of mental capacity. Subsequently retaining greater choice and control over their lives. It means that evolving treatment and support can also be provided in a timely manner, which if effective can delay the onset of the most debilitating aspects of the condition and keep therefore people independent for longer. It also allows more time for their family and carers to develop strategies and obtain any information and support they may need.
10. As the numbers of people living at all stages of the condition increases, the need for the individuals and their carers to receive post diagnostic support and advice at the right time rises. This grant will in part provide person centred and timely support and will be key in the development of a new "Dementia Pathway" in Southwark, which involves a reconfiguration of council and NHS services (alongside the promotion of a dementia friendly community in the borough)
11. The Alzheimer's Society have been valuable partners of the council in developing the vision for the new dementia center currently in the process of development at Cator Street, and there is considerable interest for the society to co locate and provide services from the center in the future.

Policy implications

12. This grant forms part of a wider programme to implement the Fairer Future Promise 10, to make Southwark an Age Friendly Borough and the creation of a Dementia Center for People Living with Dementia.
13. This grant funds the newly created Southwark Dementia Action Alliance which brings together local organisations and bodies to improve the lives of people with dementia alongside their carers. Southwark Dementia Action Alliance includes voluntary and community organisations, private companies, health partners and

arts organisations.

14. As part of this strategic commitment to an Age friendly Borough, the November 2014 Cabinet authorised officers to work with local community partners to create a Dementia Action Alliance in Southwark, and seek formal recognition of the steps that the borough is taking to make Southwark a dementia friendly community. Both of which have been achieved, using resources allocated through this dementia grant funding.
15. A new Dementia Pathway is one of the key strategic priorities for the future Vision for Adult Social Care agreed by cabinet in 2016. This *may* result in a more transformational way of commissioning dementia services across the wider health and social care economy through “Alliance Contracting” that would provide a single contract to a partnership including Acute NHS trusts, Primary Care, the council and the voluntary sector who would then reconfigure service provision and refocus support to people living in the community with the condition.
16. The Care Act 2014 confers duties on local authorities to promote individual well being, establishing preventative services, promoting integration with health, information and advice about care and support, and assessment of needs and support for adults and as well as their carers. All of which would be supported through these grant awards.

Community impact statement

17. Dementia is associated primarily with aging, and it is calculated that one in three people nationally over the age of 65 will develop dementia at some stage, with rates increasing the older people become. In Southwark the memory service hosted by South London and Maudsley NHS trust reports 75% of all dementia diagnosis was amongst people aged over 80.
18. It is further estimated that nationally two thirds of all people living with dementia are women, which is consistent with a general longer life expectancy amongst women compared to men. Women are also often more likely to be the carers of people living with dementia.
19. The All Parliamentary Group on Dementia enquiry 2013 concluded that evidence in relation to ethnicity and dementia was limited. It did however indicate there might be lower awareness, higher levels of stigma, and different cultural understanding of dementia among people from some Black and Minority Ethnic communities. Language and cultural differences may result in people presenting later to general dementia services than their white British counterparts.
20. In Southwark the evidence in relation to ethnicity and dementia is also limited. The memory service report that rates of recent diagnosis amongst Black and Ethnic Minority Ethnic is around 27%. This being higher than the 19% of the total older population who are from Black and Minority Ethnic communities recorded in the 2011 census. The largest groups being from the Afro Caribbean and African communities, corresponding with the wider demographic make up of the borough.
21. By the nature of their condition, people living with dementia would also be considered under the equality duty as being disabled. However as the condition

disproportionately affects the very old, or people living with a learning disability, people with dementia are also likely have one or multiple other long term conditions or disabilities as well as dementia.

22. The data available in relation to correlation of the prevalence of dementia and marriage/civil partnership, sexuality, gender reassignment and faith is very limited.
23. Therefore with regard to the council's duties under section 149 of the Equality Act, the consolidation of the dementia specialist services and establishment of the pilot community navigator post will have a positive impact upon the groups listed under the council's equality scheme.
24. In recognition of the work that the council has been doing, Southwark has been approved to use the "Working for dementia friendly community" logo on its correspondence.

Resource implications

25. The grant will be managed through current staffing resources contained within the existing Children's and Adults Commissioning Department structure.
26. Monitoring of the grant is based on the conditions of grant funding which amongst other things includes evidence of work being done and outcomes being met.

Legal Implications

27. Please see the legal concurrent below.

Financial Implications -

28. The 2016/17 BCF allocation towards Dementia care totals £184,177 via Scheme 20, which is described as: "Dementia - enhanced neighborhood support, navigators and carers support for those with dementia".
29. There is likely to be a small slippage in the allocation for the second community navigator as they were not in post from the start of the year. This slippage will be retained by the council in order to off set against the costs of the approved older adults social worker(s) who are co located within the older adults mental health team co located with the NHS services at South London and Maudsley NHS Trust (SLAM).
30. The amount available in 2017/18 will be determined by the BCF allocation for that year, in conjunction with the budget setting process.

Consultation

31. The council has sought the views of its partners in the Clinical Commissioning Group and key health partners in the BCF and the Older People Partnership Board, who are highly supportive. Alzheimer's Society is also a member of the Consortium of Older People Services in Southwark (COPSINS) and there is therefore widespread support within the sector of this grant award.

32. Council officers have attended the Dementia Café on a number of occasions over recent months as well as a number of user groups (with support from Healthwatch) to listen to the views of the people living with dementia and their carers on what support they required. These voices clearly expressed the need for peer and structured support and advice as well as services and the wider community having a better understanding of the impact of the condition on people's daily life and needs.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

Head of Procurement

33. Not applicable.

Director of Law and Democracy

34. This report seeks approval of the award of grant funding to the Alzheimer's Society until 31 March 2017 for a variety of specialist dementia support services summarised within paragraphs 4 and 5. Approval is also sought in relation to a further grant award for a period of up to one year from 1 April 2017 subject to the conditions set out in paragraph 2.
35. The decision to approve the report recommendations is one which is expressly reserved to the Cabinet Member under Part 3D of the council Constitution. The proposed grant awards are consistent with the council's statutory duties and powers (notably the Public Sector Equality Duty imposed by the Equality Act 2010) and with corporate policy, in particular, the Fairer Future Promises.
36. Officers consider that these services should be regulated by way of conditions of grant funding rather than by more formal commercial contractual conditions. However, the funding agreement with the Alzheimer's Society will make provision for the council to withhold or "claw back" funding if necessary in the event that the required services and service delivery outcomes are not achieved.

Strategic Director of Finance and Governance (04DK1617)

37. The Strategic Director of Finance and Governance notes the financial implications of this report, and in particular that 2016/17 funding will take place by way of the Better Care Fund (BCF). The funding available in 2017/18 is dependent upon the allocation of BCF funds during that year in conjunction with the budget setting process.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Dementia Friendly Communities cabinet report	http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s49951/Report%20Dementia%20Action%20Alliance.pdf	Andy Loxton 020 7525 3130
Link: http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s49951/Report%20Dementia%20Action%20Alliance.pdf		
Dementia Friendly Communities cabinet report	http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=302&MId=5147	Andy Loxton 020 7525 3130
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APPENDICES

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