Richmond Adult Social Services





Welcome to our Annual Report

Welcome to the Adult Social Services annual report 2017-18. Richmond Council is committed to providing meaningful ways of reporting back to residents and this report highlights the achievements and challenges over the last year and the priorities for 2018–19. 2018 also marks the 70th anniversary of adult social care and the Council has celebrated the contribution that adult social care makes to people's lives and has recognized the people who work in adult social care across Richmond, helping to improve the lives of thousands of people.

Over the past 12 months, we have:

- Responded to over 15,000 calls from residents
- Supported over 2,200 people
- Supported 1510 people to live in the community
- Given short term support to over 900 people when they have come out of hospital

We are committed to supporting local residents to receive the high quality of care and support they deserve despite the increase in demand from people needing care and support, many of whom have increasingly complex health needs and disabilities.

We work with many local organisations to provide support directly in communities, all of which provide valued support to many families. Without them, many more people would be lonely, isolated and would not be able to remain in their homes.



Vision

Our aspiration is to "Deliver the best for residents" and for residents to be independent, resilient, healthy, active and physically and mentally well. When people become less independent or unwell, we want to ensure they can access care and support at the right time and in the right place. We do this by supporting people at home or in a home-like setting wherever possible and enabling them to access personal and community networks before introducing reliance on statutory services.

We aim to achieve this vision through a focus on:

- **Prevention** and support for residents to retain their independence.
- Personalisation, including increasing the uptake of Direct Payments and being more culturally responsive and offering choice and control to adults and carers.
- Locality working and making the best use of the voluntary sector and maximizing the use of community networks before statutory services.
- Integration with other services, such as the NHS and Housing where this makes sense and delivers better outcomes for residents.

Over the coming year, our focus will be to transform our services through our Promoting Independence programme by enabling people to retain, gain or regain independence and targeting resources at those most in need.



Our population





Population pressures

The Office of National Statistics is projecting further increases in the older people's population in the borough over the next few years. By 2021, it is expected that the number of people aged 75 to 84 years will have increased by 1,700. This is likely to put additional pressure on services who may experience an increase in demand.

Age group	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	% increase
65-74	17,100	17,300	17,500	17,600	17400	2%
75-84	9,100	9,700	10,000	10,400	11200	23%
85+	4,400	4,400	4,500	4,500	4600	5%
All 65+	30,600	31,400	32,000	32,500	33,200	9%





* Office of National Statistics, population projections, 2016

How we spent our money

Adults Social Services represents the largest area of Council spend, excluding schools. Budgets are particularly complex due to the demand-led nature of services and frequent changes in activity, depending on the assessed needs of people with care and support needs.

Older people and physical disabilities 36 million



* This includes voluntary sector funding and other commissioned services.



Gross

Budget

Adult social services in numbers





Supporting carers

The Care Act 2014 put carers on the same legal footing as those they care for so that carers can be eligible for services in their own right. Carers needs are often met through additional care and support to the person they care for or through services available in the community, such as those provided by the Carers Centre.



Carers receiving support	2016-17	2017-18
Number of carers supported	632	431
Number of carers with a Direct Payment	61	76
Number of Carers receiving respite	73	91



Direct payments

Richmond has been a leader in personalisation and performs very well in the delivery of personal budgets and direct payments. These give people with care and support needs more choice and control over their services.

57%

of people receive their direct payment through a prepaid card.

People receiving a Direct Payment	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Older people	181	245	257
Adults with a physical disability	123	138	132
Adults with mental health needs	14	33	60
Adults with a learning disability	167	179	180
Total	485	595	629





Day services

The Council has three day centres providing services to people with dementia or a physical disability.

Over the last year, 148 people attended one of these day centres or another day centre in the borough.

65%

of people attending day centres are aged 65 and over.

People receiving day care	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Older people	118	100	96
Adults with a physical disability	31	28	26
Adults with mental health needs	4	6	6
Adults with a learning disability	23	19	20
Total	176	153	148



Support at home

Home support is provided in people's own homes to enable them to remain independent and live in their own homes for as long as possible.

Our aim is to support as many people as possible to stay in their own homes and in their communities. 52%

of people receiving support at home receive more than 10 hours of support a week.

People receiving home support	31/03/16	31/03/17	31/03/18
Older people	421	376	322
Adults with a physical disability	51	57	20
Adults with mental health needs	32	41	46
Adults with a learning disability	43	44	162
Total	547	518	550



Short-term rehabilitation support

Community rehabilitation and reablement services are delivered through the Richmond Response and Rehabilitation Team (RRRT) and provided in partnership with Hounslow and Richmond Community Healthcare Trust. The service also includes a rapid response to prevent hospital admission.

5214

referrals in total received over the last year, 67% of which were received from hospitals.

Outcomes for people receiving reablement	2017-18
Number of people requiring no ongoing support	350
Number of people with reduced support	131
Number of people with increased support	42
Number of people with same level support	34
Total	557

96%

of rapid response referrals were responded to within 2 hours helping to prevent 345 people from being admitted to hospital.



Care homes

Residential homes provide accommodation for people on either a long or short term basis. They provide help with personal care such as washing, dressing, feeding, and toileting. Nursing homes are similar to residential homes but they also have registered nurses on duty at all times to provide care for people with more complex needs. Our aim is to reduce the number of people supported in care homes and for people to remain in their own homes for as long as they can.

32%

of people were supported in a care home in 2017-18, meaning Richmond is doing very well at supporting people to stay at home.

People supported in care homes as of	31/03/2016	31/03/2017	31/03/2018
Older people	366	340	322
Adults with a physical disability	23	20	20
Adults with mental health needs	31	25	47
Adults with a learning disability	161	158	161
Total	581	543	550



Supported living

Supported living provides the opportunity for people who don't want to live in a care home to live as independently as possible with support available on site by a dedicated team.

Supported living services are mainly provided for people with learning disabilities or mental health problems.

People in supported living	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Adults with mental health needs	38	49	63
Adults with a learning disability	82	87	92
Total	120	139	159



Safeguarding

Concerns about safeguarding	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Concerns raised	1041	1345	1106
Enquiries made	419	386	234
% of concerns progressed to enquiry	40%	29%	23%

176 incidents of financial/ material abuse

237 incidents of physical abuse

271 incidents of neglect or acts of omission





Delayed transfers of care from hospital

A delayed transfer happens when a person in hospital is medically fit to leave hospital but cannot do so because appropriate services are not available. Delays are attributed to social services, the NHS or to both organisations.

There was significant improvement in delays attributed to social care over the last year with a 50% reduction compared to 2016-17. This was largely due to good partnership working with local health partners and the increased capacity in the Richmond Response and Rehabilitation Team.





When things go wrong

All councils in England and Wales are required to provide a complaints service for people who receive a service from Adult Social Services.

While there are no national timescales for response times, Richmond aims to respond to complaints within 25 working days.

Response times	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-18
Within 25 days	53%	76%	77%
Over 25 days	47%	24%	23%





Priorities for 2018 - 19

- 1. Work with strategic partners to implement joint arrangements for Safeguarding Adults Board in Richmond and Wandsworth to ensure residents live in safety, free from abuse and the fear of abuse and with the rights of citizenship.
- 2. Review Council managed day centre provision to ensure services are directed at the most vulnerable people living at home.
- 3. Review and re-commission the Community Independent Living Service to secure improved access to wellbeing and preventative services provided by the voluntary sector.
- 4. Closer integration and partnership between health and social care using the Better Care Fund as a vehicle to further develop closer working between the Council and Richmond Clinical Commissioning Group.



Priorities for 2018 - 19

- 5. Explore potential for working with specialist dementia nurses to support people living with dementia and their families.
- 6. Launch a new programme of dementia friendly initiatives in the borough based on the dementia friendly community concept.
- 7. Work with provider MCCH to support more adults with learning disabilities into employment.
- 8. Review transition arrangements for young people with learning disabilities from children's services to adult services.
- 9. Promote the WorkRight employment scheme to help young people with disabilities find training and employment with the Council and partners.



Priorities for 2018 - 19

- 10. Review current business model and service provision to ensure demand is managed effectively and local residents are supported to be as independent as possible.
- 11. Work with local partners to enable the shift to digital technology and increased self-service through making best use of emerging technologies and the implementation of Mosaic portals.
- 12. Review the impact of the Social Care Green Paper for implementation in line with timescales set out by the Department of Health.

