

Care in the city

Commissioning and the Care Act

The Care Act gives us a duty to undertake **market shaping** to promote diverse, sustainable, and high quality services in the city and provide people with meaningful choice regardless of who pays for care.

Market shaping means we will:

- Understand and support the development of the local care services market.
- Assess and meet local care needs.
- Engage with service providers and local communities.
- Integrate our approach with local partners.
- Advise our understanding of future supply and demand through a market position statement, so that service providers can make informed business decisions.
- Secure supply in the market and assure quality when contracting.



Our **market shaping** and commissioning will be guided by focussing on wellbeing outcomes, sustainability, choice, co-production with partners, and promoting quality services including workforce development, and appropriately resourced care and support services.



Best wishes,
Anne Hagan
Head of Commissioning,
Contracts & Partnerships
Adult Services

New Care Act elearning



The Workforce Development Learning Technologies team was commissioned by the ADASS South East Regional Workforce Group to produce an elearning modules on the Care Act 2014, for the 18

councils that make up the group. With tight deadlines and complex content material, the team managed to create a comprehensive package for the South East.

These new elearning modules are aimed at the people who work, care, support and volunteer in adult social care, health services, housing and partners. The elearning covers a wide range of subject areas and learning objectives and is available on Surf2Learn.

How do I login to Surf2Learn?

If you work for the council or a partner organisation you can get online to Surf2Learn. Go to <http://brighton-hove.learningpool.com/> from anywhere you have internet access such as on your smart phone; tablet; at home; or libraries.

To set up a new account, or for other queries please email learning.technologies@brighton-hove.gov.uk



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What's out there?



If you have or know someone with learning disabilities and autism come along to our free market place event, 'What's out there?' showing what services are on offer in the city for people with learning disabilities and autism, and their families and carers. No need to book, just turn up.

Where?

Wednesday 10 June 11am – 7pm at the Brighton Corn Exchange

Do you want a stall?

If you are an in-city provider and want a great space to showcase your service, then please get in touch quickly to reserve a stall and to have your service advertised in our brochure for only £30.

Speak to Basil Riley on 01273 295093 or email basil.riley@brighton-hove.gov.uk

The Care Act and Direct Payments

Direct Payments are a way of putting people who are assessed as needing adult care and support in control of choosing which services they need – and who delivers them.

Catherine Young (pictured) has multiple sclerosis (MS). She says moving on to Direct Payments has massively improved her quality of life.



Catherine Young

"Through direct payments I've been able to employ a personal assistant. She is very flexible in terms of the hours she works for me.

"On a bad day it can be basic stuff like helping me get out of bed and in and out of the shower. On a good day it may be taking me to pilates or swimming – and then helping me get out of the pool! – or social things like going to see friends.

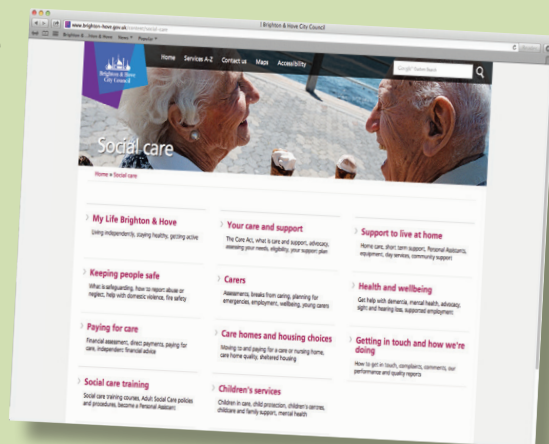
"Direct Payments has completely changed my life – I can hardly put into words what a massive difference it has made."

The council's director of adult services, Denise D'Souza, said: "Our top priority is putting people who have social care needs right at the centre of deciding what care they get and how it is delivered.

£20 voucher to help improve our website

Do you know someone who'd like to receive a £20 high street shopping voucher for spending an hour helping us improve our website?

We're looking for a group of volunteers who are not employed by the council, to come into Kings House, week beginning 25 May 2015, to look at our adult social care pages and provide feedback.



So if you know anyone who'd like to take part and get a £20 voucher, please ask them to email tereza.cleverley@brighton-hove.gov.uk by Monday 18 May.