

## **5. Functions delegated to the strategic director of adults' and public health services**

### **Statutory director of adults services**

1. To act as the Council's statutory Director of Adults Services
  - 1.1 To be accountable for assessing local needs and ensuring availability and delivery of a full range of adult social services.
  - 1.2 To be responsible for providing professional leadership including workforce planning.
  - 1.3 To lead the implementation of standards.
  - 1.4 To manage cultural change.
  - 1.5 To promote local access and ownership and drive partnership working
  - 1.6 To deliver an integrated, whole system approach to supporting communities.
  - 1.7 To promote social inclusion and wellbeing.
  - 1.8 To exercise any functions exercisable by the authority under S75 National Health Service Act 2006 on behalf of an NHS body to include making arrangements for any services provided.
  - 1.9 To establish an Adults Safeguarding Board

### **Mental health**

2. To assess and provide services and equipment for the welfare of persons with mental health problems including those persons admitted to hospital for assessment and treatment.
3. To exercise the functions and duties of the nearest relative in respect of persons with mental health problems.
4. To make an application and act as guardian for persons with mental health problems.
5. To make applications for the admission to hospital of persons with mental health problems for the purposes of assessment, detention and treatment.
6. To provide aftercare services to persons with mental health problems who have ceased to be detained and have left hospital.
7. To appoint approve social workers.
8. To take such action as may be necessary for the administration of a person's affairs where that person is unable to do so by reason of mental disorder.
9. Responsibility for arranging independent advocate if proposing to provide accommodation for a person who lacks capacity to agree.
10. To authorise the deprivation of liberty of a relevant person.
11. To appoint mental capacity advocates.

12. To make arrangements for independent mental health advocates.

### **People with care and support needs**

13. To make arrangements for the exercise of the Council's functions under the Care Act 2014 and transitional provisions under prior legislation, in relation to people with care and support needs and their carers, including providing information and advice, and promoting diversity and quality in the provision of services, including preventative services.
14. To make arrangements for assessing and the needs of adults with care and support needs and their carers
15. To make arrangements for meeting the needs of adults and carers including arranging for the provision of services by the Council, the commissioning of services provided by other organisations and the making of direct payments
16. To administer the Council's policies with regard to charging for meeting the needs of adults and carers with support needs, including recovery of debts, protecting the property of adults being cared for away from home, and administration of the Council's deferred payment scheme.
17. To conduct safeguarding enquiries and make safeguarding arrangements
18. To maintain a register of people who are sight impaired
19. To make arrangements to ensure that the Council's responsibilities with regard to registration of services with the Care Quality Commission under Health and Social Care Act 2008 are met

### **General**

20. To bury or cremate the body of any person found dead in the local authority's area where no suitable arrangements have been made.
21. To refer an individual to the Independent Safeguarding Authority, following, where the individual is an employee of the council, consultation with the Director of Workforce and Organisational Development.
22. To assess and provide support and services to asylum seekers and their dependents.
23. To consult and co-operate with other authorities in the discharge of their respective functions.
24. To authorise the prosecution of offences relating to adult social services.
25. To provide financial and other assistance to voluntary organisations, up to a value of £250,000.
26. To establish and maintain a Local Health Watch Organisation.
27. To make arrangements for Independent Advocacy Services in respect of NHS complaints
28. To make arrangements for Independent Advocacy Services in respect of NHS complaints and to support people with significant difficulties in doing so to be involved in the exercise of care and support and safeguarding functions

29. To provide strategic management and direction for the adults' and public health division.