

Haringey Efficiency and Savings Programme 2010/11 to 2013/14

Adult Services

Close or Reconfigure all Older People Drop In Centres

Description

There are 4 Council funded drop in centres for Older People; Abyssinia Court, Willoughby Road, The Irish Centre and Woodside House (separate building from Woodside Day Centre). The drop in centres are used solely by people who do not meet threshold into care services criteria; Substantial and Critical, and are seen as a preventative service. Their main function is to provide social contact and activities for the users. They are "walk in", non-assessed services which are not charged for. Service users purchase lunch (subsidised) if they wish through the Meals on Wheels contract. These centres also provide some 800 basic foot care sessions per year at no cost to service users. Some of the users with mobility problems are assisted to attend by use of day centre transport, utilising spare capacity within our centre based transport service.

Ward Affected

Woodside – Woodside House
Crouch End - Abyssinia Court
Hornsey – Willoughby Road
Northumberland Park – The Irish Centre

Impact/Risks

Medium-high impact as this proposal will eliminate the last of the preventative in-house provider services for older people.

Low service user impact beyond withdrawal of the footcare service. Low risk for service users.

Number of Service Users Affected

Circa 500. This includes 100 Gujarati Asian women in partnership with I-Can Care, a voluntary organisation who have their own workers, at Woodside House.

Number of Staff Affected

Up to 6 Full Time Equivalents (FTEs). Maximum redundancy cost £37k.

Calculation of Saving

	2011/12 £'000	Total £'000
Employees	131	131
Premises	19	19
Transport		0
Supplies & Services	73	73
Third Party Payments		0
Less: Income	(42)	(42)
Other		0
Total Saving	181	181

The saving above assumes all 4 drop in centres are closed and that no costs of re-provision are incurred.