

WELCOME to City of York Council's Care Act Bulletins, which provide information about the Care Act and how we're working to implement it in York.

Review of Care and Support Plans

The Act specifies that plans must be kept under review and the local authority has systems to do this, including seeking cooperation with other health and care professionals who may be able to inform the authority of any concerns about the ability of the plan to meet needs.

The review should be person-centred and seen as a positive opportunity to take stock of outcomes and to consider if the plan is enabling the person to meet their needs and achieve their aspirations. The review could be a self-review, or carried out by a carer, a provider or another authorised professional, and then signed-off by the local authority. Similarly the local authority is likely to undertake reviews of care and support plans in a number of ways, for example face to face or telephone dependent upon the individual circumstances of each person.

Where circumstances have changed then it may be necessary to undertake a revision of the care and support plan, and if appropriate a needs assessment and financial assessment. However, this should not be a new assessment from the beginning of the care and support process, but should be a proportionate assessment that takes into consideration what is already known of the person.

You can view the Department of Health Care Act Guidance by visiting:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/366104/43380_2390277_7_Care_Act_Book.pdf

The factsheet regarding general responsibilities is available on:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/366080/Factsheet_1_-_General_responsibilities.pdf

For further information on the support options available across the city please visit Connect to Support:

www.connecttosupport.org/york

