

**Statutory Officers Report for Health and Wellbeing Board
Corporate Director of Adult Social Care and Health (DASS)
February 2025**

New Senior Leaders in Adult Social Care and Health

- Patricia O'Connell is Interim Director of Adult Social Care and Health
- Isabel Watson is Interim Deputy Director of Adult Social Care and Health
- Jon Tomlinson is Interim Director for Commissioning and Partnerships
- Lisa Lamb is Interim Head of Service for Adult Social Care
- Stephanie Norris is Interim Head of Service for Adult Social Care (covering Mental Health and Whole Life Disability)
- Gail Heslop is Interim Head of Service for Adult Provision, Health and Integration

Adult Social Care and Commissioning & Partnership: Budgets and Practice Improvement Workshop

Last month we led a 3-day conference with senior leaders in Adult Social Care, Commissioning and Partnership. The conference was a series of workshops and live panels focussing on what works well, service transformation and how we meet statutory needs while remaining financially sustainable. We looked at strength-based practice and the importance of working collaboratively.

On Day 1, we invited the Chief Executive, Leader and Commissioners to join our teams taking part in a series of workshops focused on addressing the critical challenges we face in supporting vulnerable adults.

Following on from the workshops we have aligned leads identified during the event to our transformation projects. Culture and communication were key areas which will be integral to all our activities.

We are organising a follow up day on 27 March building on the 3 day conference – but also to checkout progress and support our culture change and effective communication initiatives.

Vicky Murphy

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