

Commissioning Position Statement

Prevention – May 2025

Current position

Prevention services are essential to Oldham's Adult Social Care Operating Model and the wider Oldham health and care system so that we have opportunities available to prevent and delay people coming into long term care.

Current gaps in the Oldham market

- We recognise that our Adult Referral Contact Centre (ARCC) service and wider social work teams are aware of a range of preventative services available to people across Oldham and a neighbourhood level and maximise the use of these to prevent and delay long term care needs.
- Prevention services are commissioned across the council and partners in the Oldham system, not just by Adult Social Care and keeping on top of what is available at any one time is always challenging as preventative services can often be short-term funded and subject to change.

Commissioning approach

The council is legally obligated to comply with its contract procedure rules and all relevant procurement legislation in delivering services. Adult Social Care will be developing a Prevention Strategy which will focus on the areas which are most likely to have an impact on preventing long-term care needs. This will include:

- Providing information
- Use of Care Technology
- Rehabilitation
- Links to the Carers' Strategy for unpaid carers.

This document should be read in conjunction with the Oldham Council Commissioning Approach <https://www.oldham.gov.uk/mps-commissioning-approach> and Capacity and Demand Profile <https://www.oldham.gov.uk/mps-capacity-and-demand-summary>.

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