

LGA Efficiency Programme – First Phase

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Background

The aim of the programme is:

To help Councils improve productivity and deliver savings

To bring councils together to share innovation and learn from each other

To engage with central government in a debate about longer term and more radical options to improve productivity

Funded by LGA/DH and DCLG

The Programme – Adult Social Care

44 Councils (or Groups of Councils) aiming to deliver £½ billion efficiency savings from 20010/11-13/14 in Adult Social Care –

Year	Average savings per council as a percentage of their net spend (data from 38 of the Councils in the programme)	Total savings from Councils who reported them to the programme for year
2009-10 (pre CSR from Coalition Government)	1.87%	£53m
2010-11	3.35%	£91m
2011-12	5.13%	£171m
2012-13	5.3%	£162m

Main Areas to be covered

- Reducing the numbers of people who need care through prevention and recovery (beating demographic pressures)
- Reducing the costs of care through better procurement and better support options
- Reducing the bureaucracy of the care system through efficient processes, partnerships and collaboration.

Emerging new issues for ASC

Need to improve performance and productivity

Demand can be managed – meeting challenge of demographic pressures

Individual workers determine demand levels

Building community capacity can be part of prevention

Recovery work needs to follow an investment model

Open-Book Accounting must be the future with Providers

Health may have some of the answers but not through structural integration

Tri-Borough a good model for small authorities

Learning Disabilities presents the biggest challenges

Collaborative procurement – needs to be better tested

Commission services and assess people for outcomes

Telecare is part of a wider set of solutions

Help to self-funders at the start is important to some councils

Going Forward

Encourage councils to collaborate and share best practice (event on November 27th)

Mid term evaluation of what is working – next May/June (2013)

Final evaluation June/July 2014.