

Job Description

Corporate Director – Adults Social Care and Health

(Statutory Director of Adult Social Services)

Directorate:	Adults Social Care and Health
Grade:	KR19 (revised range)
Responsible to:	Head of Paid Service Member of the Corporate Management Team

Job outline:

Discharge the statutory obligations of the Director of Adult Social Services.

Identify, lead and commission strategies to deliver the Council's and Government's vision for the provision of Social Care to Adults and Disabled Children to ensure that the needs of the local community are achieved.

Ensure that the Caldicott Guardian principles are incorporated into the Council's policies, procedures and staff practice and that the Caldicott Guardian role is delegated to a suitable senior manager, as appropriate.

Job accountabilities:

Corporate Directors will work within the KCC Organisational Responsibilities for Senior Officers. In addition, as members of the Corporate Management Team and working closely with Cabinet Members, Corporate Directors will work together to enable organisational responsiveness to elected members; secure the best approach to resource stewardship for the council's budget and finances; ensure that overall management attention, effort and controls are commensurate to risk and opportunity across the council's functions and activities; and enhance the reputation of Kent as a place as well as Kent County Council as the democratic agent of change in the region.

Identify and deliver commissioning strategies to ensure effective assessment and services are in place.

Ensure that adults' safeguarding is an organisational and universal priority, through effective performance monitoring and management within the directorate and through wider communication and engagement across KCC.

Provide strategic advice and support for relevant bodies such as the Kent Vulnerable Adults Safeguarding Board.

Shape the strategic transformation of Adult Social Care and direct the delivery ensuring that the maximum budgetary and service improvements are achieved.

Work in partnership with Health to enable full integration of health provision into the Council's services and to ensure the delivery of the government's new agenda on health as it continues to emerge.

Create such working arrangements as are necessary with the Corporate Director Children, Young People and Education and Lead Cabinet Members to ensure that statutory compliance is achieved and any overlaps are managed effectively and in compliance with legislation and best practice.

Ensure the council's compliance with the relevant statutory obligations and statutory guidance relating to vulnerable adults. Ensure that these obligations and responsibilities, including appropriate training, are complied with by the directorate as well as internal and external commissioned providers.

Actively review all services provided by this post to ensure the most effective and efficient delivery models are employed including consideration of outsourcing, co-sourcing or in-sourcing.

This job description sets out the accountabilities specific to the role. These should be read in conjunction with KCC's Constitution and the Organisational Responsibilities that apply to the Corporate Director, Director and Head of Service roles.

Direct Reports

Director of Older People and Physical Disability
Director of Disabled Children, Adult Learning Disability and Mental Health
Head of Strategy and Business Support
Portfolio Delivery Manager