

## Market Warming Event

Topic: Prison Social Care Services Procurement  
Date: Tuesday 18 December 2018  
Time: 10am – 12pm  
Venue: The Pink Room, Islington Town Hall basement

### Summary:

Islington Council is seeking to procure a service to meet the social care needs of prisoners at HMP Pentonville.

The Care Act 2014 recognises Local Authorities' responsibilities for assessing the care and support needs of adult prisoners, for providing care and support where those needs meet eligibility criteria, and also for transferring that care back into the community at sentence end.

The delivery of social care services in a prison setting is a developing market. The intention of this event is to gauge providers' interest in the provision of this service, provide more information regarding the service and take a joint approach to best delivery model.

### Service Requirements

Further information will be provided at the event, but please see highlights below.

### Commissioned provider will be responsible for:

- The provision of the care and support to meet the eligible outcomes as outlined in the support plan
- Maintaining a core group of care staff to work with the prisoners so they can be vetted by the prison and also receive their induction training. Please note that the social care staff must be male.
- Responding to requests for information from Islington Council social care staff or independent advocates working with the prisoner.
- Providing the council with information about the activity of the service and communicating proactively and constructively with the council to resolve any issues with the service as they arise.
- Alerting the council to changes in need
- Working with the prisoner to promote strengths and independence as far as is practically possible in order to prevent and delay any increase in need
- Requesting a review of the support plan when the needs of the person change (i.e. increase or reduce the provision of care)

**Additional:**

In line with the Prison Service Instruction (PSI17 2015) regarding prisoners assisting other prisoners, we would like to further develop this model of support at Pentonville in partnership with the service provider.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Ruby Pearce on [ruby.pearce@islington.gov.uk](mailto:ruby.pearce@islington.gov.uk) or on 020 7527 8483 to confirm your attendance.

As this is a developing market we do not know how much interest this event may generate. Please be aware organisations may be limited to bringing a maximum of two representatives to the event. Please confirm your attendance in writing by Thursday 13 December.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Islington Council's Adult Social Care Improvement Team

