

# HOUSING FIRST, PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Subject: Pilot Integrated Adult Social Care Workers - Homelessness

Report of: Mayor Paul Dennett, Portfolio Lead for Housing First

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## Purpose of Report

This report sets out a proposed pilot programme to integrate Adult Social Care Workers within local Authority Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Teams across Greater Manchester. Designed to improve outcomes for individuals experiencing long-term rough sleeping, particularly those with the most complex care and support needs while strengthening joint working between homelessness services and Adult Social Care.

The programme is funded through a one-off uplift to the Rough Sleeping Prevention and Recovery Grant (RSPARG for 2025-2026 and comprises a £252,818 direct grant award report to support the following:

### **Pilot Integrated Rough Sleeping Social Workers**

- Funding 5 x Social Workers in the following Greater Manchester areas: Bury, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside and Trafford
- Adult Social Care workers will be embedded within Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Teams, working jointly with Adult Social Care to delivery targeted, intensive and continued support to a small cohort of individuals experiencing long-term rough sleeping or extended and repeat stays in A Bed Every Night (ABEN)

Mobilisation is expected to begin from April 2026, with delivery and evaluation taking place over a 12-month period.

Members will be provided with updates on implementation progress, learning and outcomes to inform future funding and commissioning decisions.

## **Recommendations:**

Members are requested to:

1. Review and consider how the proposed model of Integrated Rough Sleeping Social Worker will improve support and outcomes for people experiencing long term rough sleeping and multiple exclusion homelessness
2. Consider opportunities presented through the programme to strengthen joint working between Homelessness and Adult Social Care and the wider strategic implications
3. Note proposed approach to evaluation and learning, and intention to use evidence from the pilot to inform future funding and sustainability of the role in Local Authorities

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