FALKIRK COUNCIL SOCIAL WORK SERVICES FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC POUND ANNUAL REPORTING STATEMENT 2013/14

Organisation Name	Alzheimer Scotland
Project	N/A
Agreement Dates	As above
Name of Lead Officer	Susan Nixon

A OVERALL ORGANISATION AIMS

Summary of Key Aims & Objectives

This service aims to provide a wide range of specialist services for people with dementia and their carers. Personalise support services, community activities and advice are offered to help support people with dementia to live at home, independently for as long as possible.

List of Agreed Outcomes

People with dementia supported to remain in their own home independently.

Carer Supported and able to care for longer.

Income maximisation for person diagnosed with dementia enabling them to live independently with appropriate financial support.

Post diagnostic support for up to one year.

Reasons for External Funding

This is a voluntary agency with a nationwide reputation for supporting people with dementia.

B ACTUAL PERFORMANCE vs. OBJECTIVES / AGREED OUTCOMES

Summary of Key Achievements

There are a number of key achievements particularly in the last two years with Change Fund monies they were able to recruit additional Link Workers to support people post diagnosis for up to one year.

The day care continues to thrive and have a waiting list for a service. Education courses for carers are offered giving them confidence and information to help them in their caring role. Home support is offered to help the person with dementia with daily living tasks enabling them to remain at home.

Summary of Key Issues/ Challenges Facing Organisation

Alzheimer Scotland faces the challenge of sustaining the additional service provision funded by Change Fund. In addition the service is delivering support to individuals with extremely challenging needs.

How has Organisation Contributed to Council/ Service Priorities

Alzheimer Scotland as an organisation provides both care and support to people with dementia and their carers. It offers education for carers as well as income maximisation. Collectively this support enables people with dementia to remain at home as long as possible and for carers to continue in their role with the correct support.

The one to one support in particular enables the person with dementia to take responsibility for their own health and well being, giving them confidence to live independently for as long as possible.

They ensure their workforce receives regular support and training to help them deliver person centred care.

List any Areas where there has been Shortfall in Performance

I am unaware of any shortfalls in the service.

How often are Review Meetings held with Lead Officer

Meetings are organised quarterly.

C FINANCIAL / RISK ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

FC funding, in £s and also as % of organisation's income, (Financial & In- Kind Contributions) provided in past three years, and £s FC funding committed to next two years

Alzheimer Scotland receive grant funding from Falkirk Council of £63 219

Last Period of Submitted Audited Accounts

2013/14

Future Risks (Financial, Operational or Structural) Faced by Organisation

The number of people diagnosed with dementia continues to rise significantly therefore any reduction of funding would have a significant impact on service delivery. Reduction in service delivery could mean that people with dementia become very isolated and become less able to continue living in their own home and could increase the number of people being admitted to long term care.

Overall Risk Rating (Low/Medium/High)

D CONCLUSIONS

Summary/ opinion of organisations overall progress carried forward from last report, and also during this year

The service continues to work very much in partnership with health and social work in offering support to people with dementia and ensure the delivery of local service provision.

They support carers in their role which then enables them to continue caring for the person in their own home.

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