

The future of care, health and wellbeing: opportunity, risk and ambition

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Overview

- The current state of adult social care and prospects for the year ahead.
- The implications and consequences of current funding pressures.
- Opportunities, risks and ambitions for the future of health, care and wellbeing.
- What ADASS would like to see in the Spending Review and the Government's social care green paper.

The state of adult social care

- Uncertainty over Green Paper and length of Spending Review (1 year or 3 years?)
- Pessimism amongst Director of Social Care increasing, particularly from 2020/21
- Adult social care budgets overly reliant upon time-limited funding streams, e.g. iBCF, BCF, winter pressures funding.

ADASS Budget Survey Headlines



- £700m savings planned to adult social care budgets in 2019/20.
- £7.7bn cumulative savings since 2010.
- 39% of DASSs stated biggest pressure to ASC budgets from **working age adults** (17% in 2017/18).
- ***DASSs least confident about meeting statutory duties relating to care market sustainability*** (62% 2019/20, 79% 2020/21)

Social care is about people, not numbers...

directors of
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adult social services



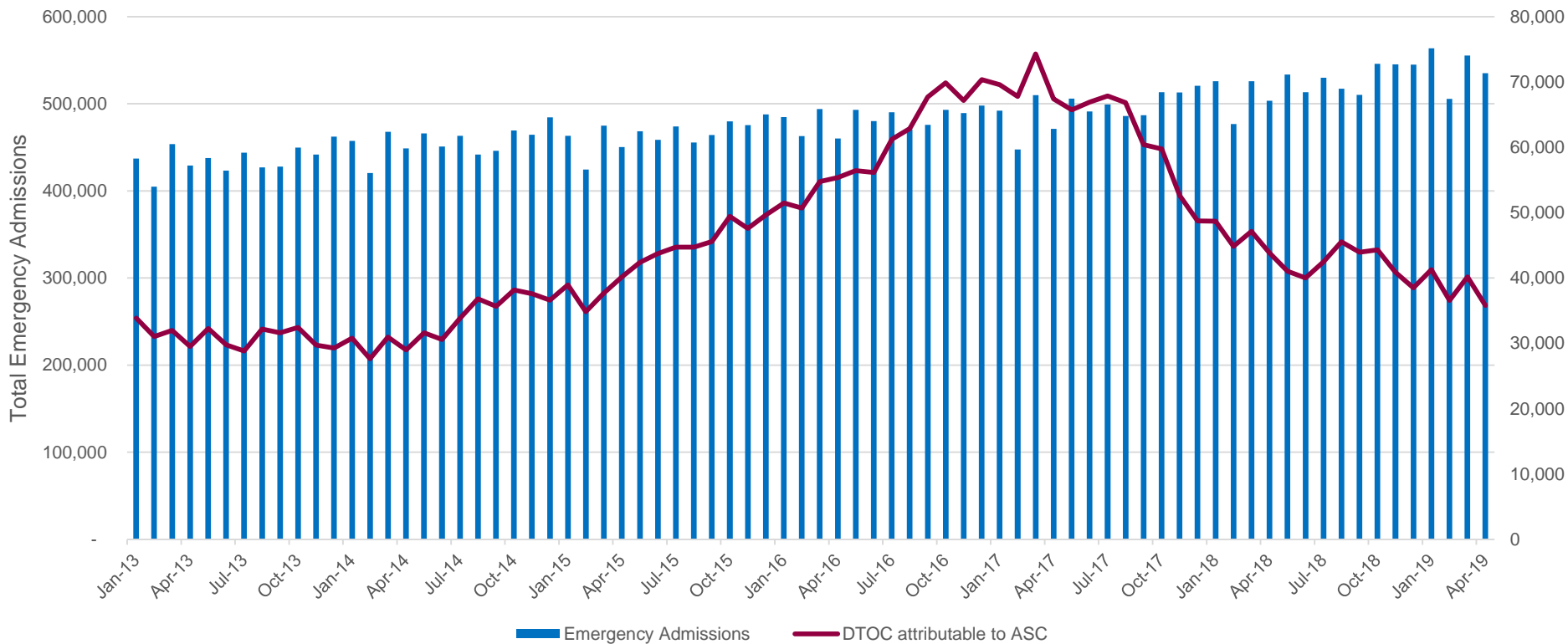
Ref- BBC Panorama

Beyond the money...

- Home care closures impacted upon **7,019 people** in 2018/19, up from 3,290 in 2017/18 (+113%).
- Care home closures impacted upon **1,173 people** in 2018/19, down from 2,095 people in 2017/18.
- Contract handbacks from providers impacted upon **310 people** in care homes and **3,464 people** in home care in 2018/19.

A change of focus?

Total Emergency Admissions & DToC Attributable to Adult Social Care (Delayed Days)



Opportunities, risks & ambition

- No Green Paper = Opportunity
- Short-term- How can we collectively improve practice? behaviour? outcomes?
- Urgent clarity on the continuation of the Better Care Fund and iBCF, or a similar quantum of funding.
- National workforce strategy.
- Long-term- cross-party agreement about how ASC funded.

**Older and disabled people need dignified,
high quality care and support. When
properly resourced it works.**

**As a nation we must make this an
immediate priority. A thriving economy and
a caring nation requires it.**