
Report To:	Social Work & Social Care Scrutiny Panel	Date:	16 January 2024
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Subject:	Independent Review of Adult Respite and Carers Provision		

1.0 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

- 1.1 For Decision For Information/Noting
- 1.2 The purpose of this report is to advise the Social Work and Social Care Scrutiny Panel of the HSCP commissioning an independent review of adult respite and carers provision.
- 1.3 This review will include a consultation on the closure of Inverclyde HSCP's internal respite unit as well as developing a respite/short break strategy for Inverclyde to show a portfolio of options to support Carers and support choice for service users. The consultation will look at measuring the existing service against the respite care in other parts of the Scotland.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Social Work and Social Care Scrutiny Panel notes the commissioning of the independent review of adult respite and carers provision.
- 2.2 The Social Work and Social Care Scrutiny Panel notes that the completed consultation and strategy will be presented to the Social Work and Social Care Scrutiny Panel in early summer 2024.
- 2.3 We will also review all service users of respite and ensure alternative respite option provision is in place in the event of the decommissioning of the internal service after consultation with users of the service and carers.

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3.0 BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

- 3.1 In November 2023, the Chief Officer of Inverclyde Health and Social Care commissioned a review of their Adult Respite Care provision. This review will consider what a robust, modern, high-quality person led respite care provision would look like. The review will articulate a co-produced vision for Inverclyde and develop an associated high level delivery action plan. These are to be developed by late spring/early summer 2024.
- 3.2 The key output will be a modern respite strategy offering vision and an associated delivery plan outlining what Inverclyde can offer adults and their carers. This is distinct from the day-to-day support services offered to the same people.
- 3.3 Inverclyde HSPC paused adult respite, both short breaks and longer periods of respite, during the pandemic. As services re-establish post pandemic there is an opportunity to review how Inverclyde HSCP delivers adult short break/respite provision. This review will consider these areas for development as part of the overall plan for Inverclyde's respite of the future.
- 3.4 As with all service redesign, it is important to ensure that equality and diversity issues are considered front and foremost and that trauma informed practice is embedded within services.
- 3.5 It is proposed the Hillend Respite Unit remains closed as any potential impact has been minimised over the last 3 years for both service users and employees. We will undertake a further detailed consultation post covid closure with all remaining users and carers who utilised the service pre covid to discuss any impact of the closure of Hillend on a permanent basis and to consult on the availability of alternative respite option provision. The service will also review all service users of respite and ensure alternative respite option provision is in place in the event of the decommissioning of the service after consultation with users of the service and carers.

4.0 PROPOSALS

- 4.1 To optimise Adult Respite Care provision in Inverclyde to support service users and their Carers

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendation(s) is(are) agreed:

SUBJECT	YES	NO
Financial		X
Legal/Risk		X
Human Resources		X
Strategic (Partnership Plan/Council Plan)		X
Equalities, Fairer Scotland Duty & Children/Young People's Rights & Wellbeing	X	
Environmental & Sustainability		X
Data Protection		X

5.2 Finance

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact	Virement From (if Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A					

5.3 **Legal/Risk**

None

5.4 **Human Resources**

None

5.5 **Strategic**

None

5.6 **Equalities, Fairer Scotland Duty & Children/Young People**

(a) Equalities

This report has been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) process with the following outcome:

x	YES – Assessed as relevant and an EqIA is required, a copy of which will be made available on the Council’s website: Equality Impact Assessments - Inverclyde Council
	NO – This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a substantive change to an existing policy, function or strategy. Therefore, assessed as not relevant and no EqIA is required.

(b) Fairer Scotland Duty

Has there been active consideration of how this report’s recommendations reduce inequalities of outcome?

	YES – A written statement showing how this report’s recommendations reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage has been completed.
x	NO – Assessed as not relevant under the Fairer Scotland Duty.

(c) Children and Young People

Has a Children’s Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment been carried out?

	YES – Assessed as relevant and a CRWIA is required.
x	NO – Assessed as not relevant as this report does not involve a new policy, function or strategy or recommends a substantive change to an existing policy, function or strategy which will have an impact on children’s rights.

5.7 Environmental/Sustainability

Has a Strategic Environmental Assessment been carried out?

	YES – assessed as relevant and a Strategic Environmental Assessment is required.
x	NO – This report does not propose or seek approval for a plan, policy, programme, strategy or document which is like to have significant environmental effects, if implemented.

5.8 Data Protection

Has a Data Protection Impact Assessment been carried out?

	YES – This report involves data processing which may result in a high risk to the rights and freedoms of individuals.
x	NO – Assessed as not relevant as this report does not involve data processing which may result in a high risk to the rights and freedoms of individuals.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 None

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None