

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE - 25 MAY 2009

Health & Social Care CommitteeMonday 25 May 2009 at 3.00 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Fyfe, McCabe, McIlwee, MacLeod and Moran.

Chair: Councillor McIlwee presided.

In attendance: Head of Social Work Services, Head of Community Care & Strategic Services, Head of Support & Development, Service Manager (Homeless), Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Administration), Ms A Edmiston (for Chief Financial Officer) and Mr M Bingham (for Head of Corporate Communications & Public Affairs).

Apologies: Councillors Grieve and Rebecchi.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Committee.

357 Capital Programme 2008/09 - 2010/11 - Progress 357

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care and the Chief Financial Officer (1) updating the Committee in respect of the status of the projects forming the Health and Social Care Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

The Head of Support & Development updated the Committee with regard to the Inverclyde Centre Phase 3 project.

Decided: that the terms of the report and the update by the Head of Support & Development be noted.

358 The Integrated Children's Services Project - Final Report 358

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care (1) appending the final report of the Integrated Children's Services Project and (2) highlighting the key achievements of the project and the areas of work that require continuing attention to improve integrated service delivery that secures better outcomes for children, young people and families.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the contents of the Integrated Children's Services Project final report and the achievements described within it and ratify the formal ending of the initiative; and

(2) that the Committee note the continuing work to improve integrated service delivery as set out in section 4.12 of the report and that it be remitted to the Head of Social Work Services to take these actions forward in consultation with the partner agencies and services and to report on progress at an appropriate future date.

359 Choose Life Inverclyde 359

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care (1) updating the Committee on the local implementation and developments of the "Choose Life" initiative and (2) appending local implementation action plan and training plan 2008-

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2010.

Decided:

- (1) that the findings of the Choose Life Inverclyde progress report appended to the report be noted; and
- (2) that further annual performance and progress reports be submitted to the Committee following the announcement of national suicide statistics for Scotland.

360 Services to Gypsies/Travellers in Inverclyde 360

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care (1) on the Council's current arrangements for responding to unauthorised gypsies/travellers encampments and seeking approval of an updated policy a copy of which was appended to the report and (2) seeking approval for ongoing discussions with neighbouring local authorities on the possible development of an official transit site.

Decided:

- (1) that the policy and procedural guidelines on establishment of unauthorised encampments by gypsies/travellers in Inverclyde appended to the report be approved; and
- (2) that approval be given to further discussions with neighbouring local authorities with a view to developing proposals for an official transit site for discussion/approval at a future meeting of the Committee.

361 Older People's Care Homes - Payment for Quality 361

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care informing the Committee of the Care Homes for Older People "Payment for Quality" agenda and the funding/monitoring implications for 2009/11.

Decided: that the Committee note the outcome of the National Care Home fee negotiation.

362 Telecare Development Programme 362

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care providing an update on the progress and future plans for the Telecare Development Programme in Inverclyde.

The Head of Community Care & Strategic Services advised the Committee that the Inverclyde Partnership had been awarded £125,000 for the year 2009/10 and that, as at April, 504 people had benefited from the service.

Decided:

- (1) that the progress of the Telecare Development Programme in Inverclyde be noted and that the Committee support and promote further mainstreaming of Telecare at a local partnership level, within the policy context of shifting the balance of care;
- (2) that approval be given to the draft Inverclyde Telecare Strategy 2009-2011 appended to the report; and
- (3) that the Committee's thanks be conveyed to the staff involved in the Inverclyde Partnership.

363 Initial Response to the Recent Report by Audit Scotland on Drug and Alcohol Services in Scotland 363

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care (1) on

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the main findings of the Audit Scotland report on drug and alcohol services, (2) highlighting the key issues in the report and (3) advising of the work of the Inverclyde Drug and Alcohol Forum, its impact and strategic direction and relationship to the Community Planning Partnership.

Decided:

- (1) that the content and key messages of the Audit Scotland report on drug and alcohol services in Scotland be noted;
- (2) that the current and developing arrangements for performance monitoring and reporting adopted by the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Forum be noted;
- (3) that the Committee note outcome measures and strategic developments which have a direct relationship to Audit Scotland's findings; and
- (4) that approval be given to the use of the Audit Scotland self evaluation template and that a further report be submitted to the Committee on its completion.

364 Social Work Services Business Plan Update 2009/2010 364

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care seeking approval of the Social Work Services Business Plan Update 2009/2010, copies of which had been circulated separately to Elected Members and stakeholder organisations and made available within relevant premises.

Decided: that the Committee note and approve the Social Work Services Business Plan Update 2009/2010.

365 Items for Noting 365

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care providing information relative to (1) contracts relating to the provision of social care services and (2) the Provost's Fund Christmas 2008.

Noted

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite each item.

Item	Paragraphs(s)
Care Home Rates 2009-2010	6 and 8
Budget Virement: Grants to Voluntary Organisations	2, 6 and 9

366 Care Home Rates 2009-2010 366

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care advising of the revised care home rates for under and over 60s which reflect the weekly gross cost per person for permanent and respite placements in registered residential establishments within Inverclyde.

Decided: that the Committee note the revised care home rates for 2009-2010 as set out in the appendices to the report.

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The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow the Committee to consider the matter at the earliest opportunity. This was agreed unanimously.

367 Budget Virement: Grants to Voluntary Organisations**367**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Social Care seeking approval to vire £12,000 from the Social Work Budget to the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Budget within Economic & Social Regeneration.

Decided: that approval be given to the virement of £12,000 from the Social Work Budget to the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Budget as detailed in the report.