

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE - 4 MARCH 2010

Health & Social Care Committee

Thursday 4 March 2010 at 3.00 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Dorrian, Fyfe, Loughran (for McCabe), McIlwee, Moran and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor McIlwee presided.

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

Apologies: Councillors Grieve, McCabe and MacLeod.

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

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| 141 | Capital Programme 2008/11 - Progress | 141 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & 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.</p> <p>Noted</p> | |
| 142 | Social Work Revenue Budget 2009/10 - Period 9 | 142 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care and the Chief Financial Officer on the position of the Revenue Budget 2009/10 as at Period 9 (31 December 2009) which was projecting an underspend of £248,000.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend for 2009/10 of £248,000 as at 31 December 2009; and</p> <p>(2) that the Committee approve the virement requests as detailed in paragraph 7.1 and appendix 3 of the report.</p> | |
| 143 | Abolition of Priority Need | 143 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care on the progress of and monitoring arrangements for the Homeless Service in meeting the 2012 target to abolish the Priority Need test for homeless applicants set by the Scottish Government.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the progress made in achieving the 2009 target and recognise that Social Work Services will work closely with its partners to secure a positive outcome in relation to the 2012 target to abolish the Priority Need test.</p> | |

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- 144 Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Bill 2009 144**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care on the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Bill 2009 and the implications for Criminal Justice Social Work.
- Decided:** that the provisions of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Bill 2009 be noted and that it be remitted to the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care to submit further reports to the Committee outlining the implications for service delivery and resources following the implementation of the legislation.
- 145 Adoption Allowance Scheme 145**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care on (1) legislative changes relating to local authority adoption allowance schemes and (2) setting out proposals for a revised adoption allowance scheme in Inverclyde.
- Decided:**
- (1) that approval be given to the proposals set out in the report with regard to the adoption allowance scheme;
 - (2) that the rate of allowance at the equivalent of level 1 fostering allowance be approved; and
 - (3) that the content of the report with regard to the increasing number of children likely to require adoptive placements be noted.
- 146 Review of Homecare Services 146**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care on proposals for an independent review of homecare services to be undertaken by a specialist contractor.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee endorse the proposals contained within the report; and
 - (2) that a report on the review findings be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee, within the calendar year, for consideration and approval.
- 147 Inverclyde Joint Care Board - Minute of Meeting of 21 October 2009 147**
- There was submitted minute of the meeting of the Inverclyde Joint Care Board of 21 October 2009.
- 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.**

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Proposed Re-design of Contracted Alternative to Day Opportunities Service for People with Learning Disabilities	6 and 8	148	Proposed Re-design of Contracted Alternative to Day Opportunities Service for People with Learning Disabilities	148
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<p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care on the proposal to re-design a service which provides an alternative to Day Opportunities Service for people with learning disabilities.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the proposed re-design of the contracted alternative to Day Opportunities Service for people with learning disabilities, to be undertaken in consultation with Legal & Administration and the Social Work Contracts & Complaints Service, and that the outcome of the re-design process will be the subject of further reports to the Committee.</p>				
<p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care on the outcome of the relocation of a contracted service for a group of individuals with learning disabilities.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the positive outcome of the relocation of the service.</p>				
<p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Designate) Health & Social Care on the progress in meeting the recommendations of the Complaints Review Committee relative to a particular hearing, together with a copy of the action plan agreed to progress areas identified as requiring improvement.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the action plan and that the work identified had been agreed and timescales set.</p>				