

As of 14/09/2011

Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee: September 2011 – April 2012

Portfolio Holder – Roland Domleo

Historical Record

Date of Meeting	Agenda Setting Meeting	Topic	Purpose/Key issues (including origin)	Comments post meeting
20 July 2011	11 July 2011	Disabled Facilities Grant and Home Improvement Grant	A review of Home Improvement Agency services was carried out in 2010 with a view to streamlining the service into 1 service across Cheshire East, to improve delivery of Disabled Facilities Grants. A procurement process has been undertaken and once tenders have been evaluated a report will be submitted to Cabinet either recommending awarding a contract, or recommending bringing the service in-house. This is very much tied up with adult social care redesign, and the HIA is the main delivery agent for the Disabled Facilities Grants	That the Committee receive robust figures in terms of the potential cost savings as a result of DFGs at a future meeting in order for a potential case to be constructed for increasing Cheshire East's budget contribution and to have conversations with health partners regarding match funding.
		Think Local Act Personal – A National Strategy for Local Implementation	To consider the strategy prior to Cabinet decision on 1 August 2011.	That it be recommended to the Director of Adults, Community, Health and Wellbeing that alternative means be sought in terms of communicating information

				<p>about Adult Social Care services to the public alongside the on-line citizen portal.</p> <p>That the Committee continue to monitor the personalisation agenda to assess its effectiveness for vulnerable people.</p> <p>That the Committee receive regular updates on the Adult Social Care service, including allocated budget, spend and impact on service users.</p>
		Adult Social Care Budget	To receive a verbal brief outlining pressure points on budget	<p>That the Committee review the efficacy of the six week free support policy at a future meeting.</p> <p>That the Committee consider an item on 'invest to save' policies at every formal meeting, the results of which to be potentially fed into the Budget Task and Finish Group.</p>

Next Agenda Setting Meeting: ?

Ongoing items/reviews/Monitoring Papers

Item	Reporting:	Committee Meeting							
		22/9	27/10	22/11	21/12	18/1	28/2	15/3	17/4
Safeguarding	When appropriate								
Performance/Finance report	Quarterly	X			X			X	
The Cheshire and Wirral Councils' Joint Scrutiny Committee	Monitor minutes of meetings when appropriate		X				X		

Possible Future Issues / Items (Chronology)

Meeting dates:

<p>27 October 2011 (informal) 22 November 2011 21 December 2011 (informal)</p>	<p>18 January 2012 28 February 2012 (informal) 15 March 2011 17 April 2012 (informal) 9 May 2012</p>
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Item	Corporate Priority / Targets	Notes	Suggested Action	Due Date and Status
Detailed review of a service area plan (LILT team)	Prepare for an increasingly older population. Drive out the causes of poor health.	Asked for at meeting held on 16.06.2011	Members to receive a brief	October 2011 (informal)
Business Planning brief	Prepare for an increasingly older population. Drive out the causes of poor health.	Suggested by Chairman on 18.08.2011	Members to be briefed so that they understand how the service plan for future pressures on the budget. To include information on 'invest to save' areas.	October 2011 (informal) On track
Safeguarding and the implications of funding pressures.	Prepare for an increasingly older population. Drive out the causes of poor health.			November 2011 On track
Review of the efficiency of people who self fund social care	Prepare for an increasingly older population.			November 2011 On track
Local Involvement	Prepare for an increasingly			November 2011

Network (LINK) – Work Programme; Future arrangements and transition to Local Healthwatch	older population. Drive out the causes of poor health.			On track
Disabled Facilities Grant	Prepare for an increasingly older population. Drive out the causes of poor health.	Follow up from action suggested in July 2011	Committee to receive business case for increased investment into DFGs.	November 2011 On track
Communication methods for services for older people	Prepare for an increasingly older population	Asked for at meeting held on 16.06.2011	Members to consider the appropriateness of communication methods	November 2011 Deferred from September 2011

Items to be considered:

- Wishing Well (post Age Concern)
- Commissioning Strategy/Whole System Commissioning – GP Consortia Pilot
- Development of a protocol for informing the public about changes in social care arrangements
- Charging policy
- New Dementia Unit and Hollins View – Business Case
- Review of the efficacy and value of the decision to close residential homes – possibly as part of the potential T&F Review
- Potential cost savings as a result of DFGs
- Personalisation agenda

Training Requirements/Site Visits:

To be discussed

Disregarded / Discontinued Items

Item	Date	Reason
Understanding the personalisation agenda	11/07/2011	Included in 'Think Local, Act Personal' item
Support for Carers	11/08/2011	Superseded by Carers Strategy
Understanding the 'lifestyle concept' including lifestyle centres	14/09/2011	To be considered by H&WB Committee

Task Groups – potential/current/completed

Title	Notes	Actions
Dementia Services	Postponed due to election. Agreed to continue the work of the T&F group	Update to be received by Committee 22/9
Future Arrangements/Provision of Residential Care	<p>At the meeting of the Council on 21 April 2011 a Notice of Motion had been submitted by Councillors D Flude and C Thorley regarding instability in the residential care market in Cheshire East and its potential impact on the finances of the Council. It was requested that a Scrutiny Committee Task and Finish Group be set up to determine the best means of managing demand for residential care including demand from returning self funders.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the matter be referred to the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee with a view to them examining the matter and reporting back on:</p>	Set up Membership on 22/9

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The stability of the residential care market in Cheshire East • The availability of residential care at affordable prices in Cheshire East • The success or otherwise of current measures to manage the demand for residential care in Cheshire East. • The success or otherwise of measures to support self funders to remain independent of Council funding for longer 	
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Dates of Future Cabinet Meetings

5 September 2011, 3 October 2011, 31 October 2011, 28 November 2011, 5 December 2011, 9 January 2012, 6 February 2012, 5 March 2012, 2 April 2012 and 30 April 2012.

Dates of Future Council Meetings

13 October 2011, 15 December 2011, 23 February 2012, 19 April 2012 and 16 May 2012.