CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting:	5 July 2012
Report of:	Borough Solicitor
Subject/Title:	Residential Provision Task and Finish Group

1.0 Report Summary

1.1 This report encloses the final report of the Task and Finish Group which conducted a scrutiny review of Residential Provision.

2.0 Recommendations

- a) That the report of the Scrutiny Task and Finish Group be approved;
- b) That the recommendations of the Group be endorsed, and referred to the Cabinet for consideration and necessary action, and that Cabinet be invited initially to comment on the details of the recommendations.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 To progress the findings of the Scrutiny Review Task and Finish Group who reviewed Residential Provision within Cheshire East.

4.0 Wards Affected

4.1 All

5.0 Local Ward Members

5.1 Not applicable.

6.0 Policy Implications including - Carbon reduction - Health

6.1 Not known at this stage.

7.0 Financial Implications

7.1 Not known at this stage.

8.0 Legal Implications

8.1 Not known at this stage.

9.0 Risk Management

9.1 There are no identifiable risks.

10.0 Background and Options

- 10.1 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.
- 10.2 The Council resolved:
- 10.3 That the matter be referred to the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee with a view to them examining the matter and reporting back on:
 - 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
- 10.4 In a meeting of the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee on 22 September 2011, it was agreed to establish a Task and Finish Group to explore the issues raised in the Notice of Motion.

11.0 Access to Information

11.1 The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer:

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