

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Adult Social Care
<b>Date:</b>	16 May 2011
<b>Title:</b>	Response to consultation and proposals for the Transformation of Learning Disability Services
<b>Reference:</b>	2517
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Adult Services

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#### 1. The decision:

### Future Engagement

**That changes will be made working with people with learning disabilities, family carers, staff and other stakeholders with local members kept fully informed.**

### Day Services

#### **Enhancing day services for people with complex needs**

That services for people with complex needs are improved. The proposal to provide Keystone Services in Locks Heath, Havant and Totton is taken forward with mixed use by both people with complex disabilities and others, maintaining and developing more friendships and local services through person-centred approaches. Recommendations for the configuration of bases is mapped in appendix 4.

**Refocusing day services on family carers.** It is recommended that in principle future service will be tailored towards provision of respite for people living with their own family carers although existing service users will only be moved on to alternatives if this is something that they wish to do.

**Increasing choice and alternatives to Hampshire's day services.** It is recommended that the Council improve access to alternatives services such as supported employment and mainstream services for the most able service users. However people will only move on from day services to alternatives if this is something that they wish to do.

**Moving day services nearer to the community.** That the proposed changes set out in table 1 are implemented subject to the reinvestment of capital for building development being approved.

**Continuation with the early implementation of Basingstoke and Bishopstoke day service relocation.** That the changes to the delivery of day services to Bishopstoke and Basingstoke be implemented subject to necessary reinvestment of capital for building development being approved.

## **Residential**

**Enhancing residential services for people with complex needs within respite and crisis services.** That residential respite developments with enhanced facilities for people with complex needs be built in the Basingstoke and Fareham area.

**Separation of residential functions, so that crisis and respite beds are not placed in the same home.** That separation of residential functions between crisis, long term support and respite are put in place. Planned and unplanned respite is not recommended to be separated.

### **Matching the capacity of respite provision with current and future need.**

- Meadowcroft in Aldershot is closed in November 2011 with the service reprovided at Dalewood in Basingstoke
- That the County Council replace Dalewood in Basingstoke with a new development on a site in the Basingstoke area.
- That the County Council replace Highfield House in Eastleigh and Croft House in Fareham with a new development on a site in the Fareham and Gosport area.
- That the Council relocate the Fernmount respite service in New Milton to Totton, extending the use of beds at Jacobs Lodge in Totton.
- That Orchard Close is maintained and developed as a holiday and respite service

**Development of alternative options so that there is a wide range of alternatives to traditional respite.** That the County Council continue to develop alternatives to traditional respite including increasing awareness of the Shared Lives services, whilst acknowledging that this option will only be suggested for those more able people who do not require a residential respite environment

**Development of a new model to support people in crisis to offer a combination of bed based, outreach and commissioned services.** It is

recommended that the Council take these proposals forward including plans to base crisis services in West Street, Havant.

**To develop plans for people living in long stay residential accommodation in the in-house units exploring other models of support.** It is recommended that options for deregistration and externalisation are considered for the long term residential services provided at West Street, Homewood and the remaining service provided at Upton Grey Close. That this change will happen at the service users own pace.

**That two out of three homes at Upton Grey Close in Winchester are closed by January 2012. That one home be retained with a view to deregistration.**

The residential changes are laid out in full in the table in 17.2.

## **Market Development**

**That £50k start up money be made available to commission a travel bureau to provide supported holidays within Hampshire.**

**That approximately £50k be invested in the independent sector for the start up of day opportunities.**

**That £50k be invested in *Telecare* and independent travel training to encourage independence making travel more sustainable**

## **Capital Reinvestment**

**That permissions be sought from the Executive Member for Policy and Resources for the recycling of 100% of the capital receipt.** This capital will be released through the disposal of learning disability day and residential service buildings. This is to develop one new learning disability specialist service day service Keystone service, extensively refurbish Havant Day Services, develop 13 community link services and two new residential respite buildings.

## **2. Reason(s) for the decision:**

2.1 Current arrangements are not suitable for the future and the gap between demand, strategic direction, and service provision will continue to widen if changes are not made.

2.2 The decision supports the corporate strategy in the following ways:

- Maximising wellbeing - This priority is about maintaining and improving quality of life and ensuring everyone has the opportunity to support themselves, be active in their community and have access to the services they need. The way social care is provided is changing in England, with service users wanting more choice and control over their care and the

proposals for transformation of learning disability services enhance choice and independence for people with learning disabilities

- Enhancing our quality of place - This priority is partly about ensuring excellent facilities, respecting Hampshire's heritage and planning proactively for the future. The current building portfolio for Hampshire's Learning Disability In-House services is becoming outdated and is not fit for future purpose. The proposals for transformation of learning disability services include the development of excellent facilities for people with complex needs, in partnership with the wider County Council. These new facilities will enhance community resources.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

- 3.1. A full options appraisal is developed in the Learning Disability transformation business case.
- 3.2. Current arrangements are not suitable for future purposes so maintenance of these arrangements has been rejected as an option.

**4. Conflicts of interest:**

- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

**5. Dispensation granted by the Standards Committee: none.**

**6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.**

**7. Statement from the Decision Maker:**

<b>Approved by:</b>  -----	<b>Date:</b>  <b>16 May 2011</b>
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