

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date:	24 January 2013
Title:	Extensions to Oakridge and Westholme nursing homes in Basingstoke and Winchester
Reference:	4419
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. The project proposals to extend and make alterations to both Oakridge nursing home in Basingstoke and Westholme nursing home in Winchester, at an estimated combined total cost of £3,366,000, be approved.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. In order to meet the challenges of an ageing population it is vital that Older People's services are sustainable, cost effective and offer people choice and control. More older people are choosing to remain independent and be cared for at home, rather than go into residential care. Those who do eventually need high levels of care and support consequently have much higher requirements for these services, for example of the physical environment (ensuite rooms etc) and often require nursing rather than residential care.
- 2.2. As demand for modern nursing care and specialist dementia care provision continues to increase, Hampshire County Council is investing in these services, with proposals to build additional capacity in two of the County Council's nursing homes, subsequently maximising wellbeing and enhancing the quality of place.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. The need for the works has been identified as a priority and the project proposals set out in the report to the BLAPP meeting of 18 December 2012 are considered to be the most appropriate and cost-effective way of meeting that need.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

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

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

24 January 2013

**Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Councillor T. K. Thornber, CBE**