

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 December 2013
<b>Title:</b>	Outcome of the Consultation on the proposed closure of four Residential Care Homes and One Day Centre and the Development of Extra Care Assisted Living
<b>Reference:</b>	5258
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Adult Services

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#### 1. The decision:

- a) That Cabinet has considered the responses to the consultation and the Equalities Impact Assessments including the proposed best practice associated with any moves for current residents in relation to the proposals contained in this paper.
- b) That Cabinet recognises that Cranleigh Paddock residential care home makes a significant contribution to specialist dementia care in the New Forest and that it should remain open.
- c) That permission is granted by Cabinet to work with New Forest District Council to explore the possibility of developing the combined site for specialist dementia care.
- d) That permission is granted by Cabinet to close Cranleigh Paddock Day Centre, subject to suitable alternative day care provision being found for the current users of this service in the local area.
- e) That permission is granted by Cabinet to close Deeside residential care home in Basingstoke and suitable alternative accommodation is sought for residents that meets their care needs.
- f) That current residents that are assessed as suitable, should be allowed to remain in situ at Deeside, until such time as the new residential dementia facility opens at Oakridge, should this be their preferred choice of home.
- g) That permission is granted by Cabinet to dispose of the site at Deeside for the provision of social housing and that any capital receipt is ring-fenced for the development of Extra Care assisted living in Basingstoke.
- h) That permission is granted by Cabinet to urgently pursue the development of a second Extra Care assisted living scheme in Basingstoke.

- i) That permission is granted by Cabinet to close Bulmer House residential care home in Petersfield and suitable alternative accommodation is sought for residents that meets their care needs.
- j) That permission is granted by Cabinet to dispose of the Bulmer House site for the purposes of developing an Extra Care assisted living scheme and that the proposed new Extra Care assisted living scheme should incorporate facilities for older persons' day services.
- k) That should there be a disposal of the Bulmer House site, a request be made to the purchaser of the site to retain the name Bulmer House or similar, in any future development of the site.
- l) That Bulmer House Day Centre is temporarily relocated within Petersfield during the redevelopment of the Bulmer House site, until such time as the proposed new Extra Care assisted living scheme is completed.
- m) That permission is granted by Cabinet to close Nightingale Lodge residential care home in Romsey, and suitable alternative accommodation is sought for residents that meets their care needs.
- n) That permission is granted by Cabinet to dispose of the Nightingale Lodge site for the purposes of developing an Extra Care assisted living scheme and that the proposed new Extra Care assisted living scheme should incorporate facilities for older persons' day services.
- o) That Master's House Day Centre is temporarily relocated within Romsey during the redevelopment of the Nightingale Lodge site, until such time as the proposed new Extra Care assisted living scheme is completed.
- p) That Cabinet recognises the significant contribution made by the staff at all four of the homes and the associated day centres.
- q) That Cabinet supports efforts in the homes and day centre that are recommended for closure, to redeploy those staff that choose this option and to offer enhanced redundancy terms should the decision be made to close the three homes and Cranleigh Paddock Day Centre.

## **2. Reasons for the decision:**

- a) Having considered the consultation responses in detail, the care needs and wellbeing of the homes' current residents as well as the future needs of the county's ageing population, and reviewed the options for each site, the report seeks approval for the closure of the following three homes:
  - Bulmer House in Petersfield
  - Deeside in Basingstoke
  - Nightingale Lodge in Romsey

In response to specific points made during the consultation, it is recommended that the closure of Deeside is delayed until the new extension to Oakridge House is open and ready to receive residents in Autumn 2014.

These recommendations are proposed on the understanding that suitable alternative accommodation for current residents is found and that their care needs are fully met.

- b) With regards to Bulmer House, this is the only site in Petersfield that Hampshire County Council has identified where it is possible for it to build an Extra Care assisted living scheme.
- c) In Romsey, Nightingale Lodge is the only site available for Hampshire County Council to construct Extra Care assisted living at this time.
- d) The Deeside site is not suitable for the development of Extra Care assisted living, however two more suitable sites have been identified in Basingstoke. During the course of the consultation the Deeside site has been identified as a potential site for affordable housing.
- e) In response to issues raised during the consultation on specialist dementia provision in the area and further work on the site potential, this report recommends that Cranleigh Paddock residential care home remains open and that Hampshire County Council works with New Forest District Council to explore the possibility of further developing specialist dementia provision utilising the whole site including the adjacent sheltered housing unit. The reasons for this change of proposal are contained in section 9.
- f) The report also seeks approval for the closure of Cranleigh Paddock Day Centre, with the service being re-provided by the independent sector in the locality, subject to suitable alternative day services being found for the people who currently use it.

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

- a) Alternative options for each home have been considered and analysed in detail in the report (see sections 8.9-8.16, 9.9-9.14, 10.8-10.13 and 11.8-11.14).
- b) The decisions have to be a balanced consideration of all of the factors including the responses to the consultation, the needs and welfare of the current residents, the future needs of older people in Hampshire, and the availability, quality, and market capacity of alternative provision in the four areas, both now and in the future.

**4. Conflicts of interest:**

- a) Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None
- b) Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

**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:**

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**9 December 2013**

**Chairman of the Cabinet  
Councillor Roy Perry**