

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Social Care
Date:	25 February 2011
Title:	Extra-Care Housing Tendering & Procurement – New Forest
Reference:	2296
Report From:	Director of Adult Services

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1. The decision:

- a) That approval be given to go out to tender for combined care and support contracts for a 3 year duration commencing April 2012 for the four schemes of Gore Grange, Winfrid House, Quaker Court and Riverside Court.
- b) That the annual cost of the contracts for provision of care and support for the schemes be approved, as set out in Exempt Appendix C.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. This report proposes extending the current Extra-Care provision in the New Forest in line with the Better Housing Solutions Strategy approved by Cabinet in September 2007.
- 2.2. In the light of demographic pressures this proposal will enhance four suitable, existing sheltered housing schemes with day and night time care and support and to deliver care and support to the local neighbourhood that can be reached within a ten minute walk.
- 2.3. This will deliver an additional 124 units of Extra-Care Housing, totalling 176 units in the New Forest and would bring the total forecast number of units of Extra-Care Housing across Hampshire to 669.
- 2.4. In order to achieve this it is necessary to gain approval to tender for the care and support contracts.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 To do nothing is not an option due to the demographic pressures and the risks of financial pressures.
- 3.2 Due to the need for compliance with County Standing Orders the option to tender these schemes becomes a necessity.

- 3.3 The option not to tender for these services is not available due to the value of the contracts.
- 3.4 The option of tendering individually for the day care, night care and support elements of each scheme has been considered, and rejected on the grounds that:
- a) It is not in line with Hampshire County Council's approach to contracting services within Extra-Care schemes.
 - b) It will offer no economies of scale and no opportunity to achieve benefit in terms of consistency of care and support provision such as are outlined in this report.

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:

Approved by: ----- Executive Member for Adult Social Care Councillor Felicity Hindson	Date: 25 February 2011
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