

MINUTES OF MEETING of the HOUSING, HEALTH AND CARE COMMITTEE held within the Council Chamber, Greenfield, Alloa, FK10 2AD, on THURSDAY 22 MAY 2014 at 10.00 am.

PRESENT

Councillor Les Sharp, Convenor (In the Chair) Provost Tina Murphy, Vice Convenor Councillor Janet Cadenhead Councillor Archie Drummond Councillor Ellen Forson Councillor Kathleen Martin Councillor Derek Stewart Councillor Gary Womersley (S*)

IN ATTENDANCE

Garry Dallas, Director of Services to Communities Ahsan Khan, Head of Housing and Community Safety Val De Souza, Head of Social Services Jane Menzies, Assistant Head of Joint Social Services Stuart McQueen, Solicitor, Legal Services (Clerk to the Committee) Liam Purdie, Assistant Head of Service - Child Care Chris Sutton, Service Manager George Marshall, Accountant

HHC.094 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE.

Councillor Womersley was present at today's meeting as a substitute member for Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE, and was not present in his capacity as a non-voting ex-officio member. As a substitute member, Councillor Womersley was eligible to take part in the vote.

HHC.095 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

HHC.096 MINUTES OF MEETING: HOUSING, HEALTH AND CARE COMMITTEE HELD ON 20 MARCH 2014

The minutes of the meeting of the Housing, Health and Care Committee held on Thursday 20 March 2014 were submitted for approval.

Decision

The minutes of the meeting of the Housing, Health and Care Committee held on Thursday 20 March 2014 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Convenor.

HHC.097 SOCIAL SERVICES BUSINESS PLAN 2014-2015

A report which presented the Committee with the Social Services Business Plan for 2014-2015 was submitted by the Head of Social Services.

Motion

That the Committee notes the content of the Business Plan, while commenting on and challenging the priorities, risks and actions.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Provost Tina Murphy.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the report, the Committee agreed to note the contents of the Social Services Business Plan 2014-2015.

HHC.098 CHILD CARE SERVICES PROGRESS REPORT

A report which updated the Committee of the Transitional Child Care Plan and also provided a summary of the progress from regular reporting of the Social Work developments provided since June 2012 was submitted by the Head of Social Services.

Motion

That the Committee:

- 1. note the progress and developments that have been achieved since June 2012 and comment and challenge as appropriate.
- 2. note this final report with future performance incorporate into the routine reporting for committee.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Provost Tina Murphy.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the report, the Committee agreed to note the progress and developments and noted that this final report with future performance will be incorporated into the routine reporting for committee.

HHC.099 SELF DIRECTED SUPPORT

A report which provided the Committee with information about progress with the implementation of the Social Care (Self-directed Support) (Scotland) Act 2013 (the Act) was submitted by the Head of Social Services. The Committee had the opportunity to view a video on Self Directed Support produced by East Renfrewshire Council.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Provost Tina Murphy.

Decision

The Committee agreed unanimously to:

- 1. note progress on implementation of the Act Self Directed Support (Scotland) Act 2013 by Social Services and provide comment and challenge as appropriate.
- 2. approve the revised definition of non-residential services and supports as contained in the Social Services non-residential services charging policy.
- 3. note the potential financial implications both of the implementation in respect of waiving of charges to carers, currently estimated at £180,000 and the broader potential impact of the move towards individuals accessing a wider range of flexible support options.

Action

Head of Social Services

HHC.100 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SERVICE BUSINESS PLAN 2014-2015

The report which presented the Committee the Housing and Community Business Plan for 2014-15, the associated new three year Community Safety Strategy with delivery plan, and the progress against the targets contained in the 2013-14 service business plan was submitted by the Head of Housing and Community Safety.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Provost Tina Murphy.

Decision

The Committee agreed unanimously to:

- 1. note the Housing and Community Safety Business Plan 2014-15, together with progress against targets in the current plan.
- 2. recommend to the Council approval of the new three year community safety strategy with delivery plan.

Action

Head of Housing and Community Safety

HHC.101 CLACKMANNANSHIRE HOUSING STRATEGY ANNUAL UPDATE

A report which presented the Committee with the first Annual Update of the Clackmannanshire Housing Strategy 2012-2017(CHS) was submitted by the Head of Housing and Community Safety.

Motion

That the Committee notes the Clackmannanshire Housing Strategy Update 2014 and challenge and comment as appropriate.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Provost Tina Murphy.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the report, the Committee agreed to note the Clackmannanshire Housing Strategy Update 2014.

ENDS 12.54 pm