

HOUSING AND HEALTH EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Housing and Health Executive Sub-Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 21 January 2009 at 2.00pm.

Present: Councillors P Barrett, D Scott, J Flynn, M Roberts and Mr A Boyd and Mrs E Muir (Tenants' and Residents' Federation).

In Attendance: D Roberts, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); D Burke, Depute Director (Housing and Community Care); C Brandon (Housing and Community Care); S Hendry (Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillor A Wylie.

Councillor P Barrett, Convener, Presiding.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made under the Councillor's Code of Conduct.

2. AUDIT OF HOUSING BENEFIT SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATION

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (09/40) outlining the new Housing Benefit audit function of Audit Scotland with regards to the administration of Housing and Council Tax Benefits, and in addition the most recent findings from an inspection conducted in October 2008 of Perth and Kinross Council's Benefit Section.

Resolved:

- (i) Authority be given to the Local Authority Assurance Officer, Resources and Business Support Team, Housing and Community Care to monitor the risk assessment action plan.
- (ii) It be noted that Audit Scotland had considered the Housing and Community Care risk assessment action plan and was satisfied that the proposed actions would make a positive contribution to the continuous improvement of the Council's Housing and Council Tax Benefits Service.

3. MULTI-AGENCY INSPECTION FOR SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE (MAISOP) – PERFORMANCE INSPECTION REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (09/41) summarising the key findings of the Multi-Agency Inspection Team in their follow-up Review Visit to measure the achievements of the Inspection Improvement Plan, submitted by NHS Tayside on behalf of the three Partnerships between Health and Social Work on services for Older People.

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Resolved:

- (i) The significant improvements and achievements made on the recommendations within the inspection report by Perth and Kinross be recognised.
- (ii) The contents of the report otherwise be noted.

4. CARE COMMISSION REPORTS

(i) Dalweem Care Home for Older People

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (09/44) advising Members of the key findings of the Care Commission Inspection of Dalweem Care Home for Older People in February 2008, highlighting the key strengths and main points for action.

Resolved:

The key findings of the Care Commission inspection, with reference to the areas of strength and areas for development identified, be noted.

(ii) Lewis Place Resource Centre for Older People

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (09/42) advising Members of the key findings of the Care Commission Inspection of Lewis Place Resource Centre for Older People in April 2008, highlighting the key strengths and main points for action.

Resolved:

The contents of the Inspection Report, and the grades awarded by the Care Commission, be noted.

(iii) Meadowell / Springwell Service

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (09/43) advising Members of the key findings of the Care Commission Inspection of the support service managed at Meadowell/Springwell Service in September 2008, highlighting the key strengths and main points for action.

Resolved:

The contents of the Inspection Report, and the grades awarded by the Care Commission, be noted.

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