

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee
Date:	2 April 2019
Title:	Working Group Proposal
Report From:	Director of Transformation and Governance

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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is for the Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee (HASC) to consider whether to initiate a Working Group to feed in to the consideration of options relating to the future of the Orchard Close respite unit on Hayling Island.

Recommendation(s)

2. To initiate a Working Group to feed in to the consideration of options relating to the future of the Orchard Close respite unit on Hayling Island, as per the attached proposed Terms of Reference.
3. To agree membership of the Working Group.

Contextual information

4. The HASC pre-scrutinised the proposal to close Orchard Close respite service at it's meeting on 11 February 2019. The HASC made a recommendation to the Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Health that did not support closure. The Executive Member considered this feedback, and took a different decision at her Decision Day on 27 February 2019, instead deciding:

That the Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Health requests that further work is undertaken prior to any decision being made, as to all possible wider options and that further reports will be submitted not before autumn 2019 to the relevant Executive Member/s for consideration.

5. This decision was Called In by a quorum of the Members of the HASC, and a Call In meeting was held on 14 March 2019 at which the Select Committee recommended that the Executive Member reconsider the decision. The

Executive Member reconsidered her decision at the Decision Day on 29 March 2019. She took the following decision:

That the Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Health confirm the decision made on 27 February 2019 to request that further work is undertaken prior to any decision being made, as to all possible wider options and that further reports will be submitted not before autumn 2019 to the relevant Executive Member/s for consideration.

6. At this Decision Day the Executive Member indicated that it is planned to take a decision following the further work, at a decision day in November 2019, and service users will be able to make bookings to use Orchard Close up to 30 September 2020. Beyond that will be subject to the outcomes of the further work due to be undertaken.
7. At the Call In meeting, Members of the Committee expressed interest in holding a Working Group to feed in to the consideration of wider options, therefore this proposal was put on the agenda for this meeting for the Committee to consider establishing such a Working Group.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	no
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	no
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	no

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
Consideration Of Request To Exercise Call-In Powers	14 March 2019
Findings from the consultation and recommendations On respite services at orchard close, hayling island	27 February 2019
Reconsideration - decision of 27 february 2019 relating To respite services at orchard close, hayling island	29 March 2019
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents	
<p>The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)</p>	
<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
None	

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

This report is about initiating a working group, therefore an impact assessment is not relevant. An impact assessment will be considered at the time proposals arising from the working group are considered for decision.