

MINUTES of SPECIAL MEETING of BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE held in the CASTLE HOUSE, CASTLE GARDENS, DUNOON on TUESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2013

Present: Councillor Robert E Macintyre (Chair)

Councillor Gordon Blair	Councillor Bruce Marshall
Councillor Michael Breslin	Councillor Len Scoullar
Councillor Alex McNaughton	Councillor Isobel Strong
Councillor James McQueen	Councillor Dick Walsh

Sandy Mactaggart, Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure

Jim Robb, Head of Adult Care

Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager

Donnie Kelly, Legal Services Manager – Commercial

Jayne Lawrence-Winch, Area Manager – Operations

Susan Spicer, Service Manager

Jackie Connelly, Performance Improvement Officer

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

3. ADULT CARE

(a) OLDER PEOPLES CARE AT HOME SERVICE UPDATE

A report updating the Committee on the findings of the 1st quarterly evaluation of the Care at Home provision within the Bute and Cowal area, following the externalisation of services on 21st January 2013, was considered.

The report has been broken down to show the progress and joint working that has been put into place to ensure that a high quality service is provided, as it is recognised that the service is provided to vulnerable individuals, predominately by lone workers, in the home environment.

Decision

The Committee agreed to bring a quarterly report back to the Area Committee updating Members with more detail around contracts, off contract activity, and monitoring activity including the costs of the procurement team and monitoring arrangements and travel time, and further agreed that in the event of any major issues arising in relation to service delivery this will be reported to the Area Committee as a matter of

urgency.

(Reference: Report by Head of Adult Care dated 24th September 2013, submitted).

(b) UPDATE ON CARE INSPECTORATE REPORT FOR ASSIST

A report updating the Committee on the progress of ASIST LD Day Service, Dunoon since the Care Inspectorate last May and also that of the more recent inspection of Phoenix LD Day Service, Rothesay in January 2013, was considered.

Decision

The Committee noted the continued progress being made in implementing the agreed improvement plans for Learning Disability day services in Bute and Cowal.

(Ref: Report by Head of Adult Care dated 24th September 2013, submitted).

(c) PERFORMANCE RELATING TO THE SERVICE OVERALL

A report detailing the framework of performance relating to Adult Care overall was considered.

Decision

The Committee:-

- i. Noted the information provided;
- ii. Agreed to bring quarterly reports to the Area Committee on Older Peoples Care at Home Service Update, Update on Learning Disability Day Services and Performance relating to the Service overall; and
- iii. Agreed that in the event of any major issues arising in relation to service delivery on these items this will be reported to the Area Committee as a matter of urgency.

(Ref: Report by Head of Adult Care dated 24th September 2013, submitted).

The Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public for the following item of business on the grounds that it was likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 13 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

4. ROTHESAY HARBOUR

A report providing the Harbour Authority with the Business Case as directed by the Board on 25th June 2013, and being a supplementary report to the papers "Rothesay Harbour – Marine Safety Provision" dated 4th and 25th June 2013, was considered.

The report summarises the Business Case and options appraisal process. The outcome of this process is that Option 1 and Option 2 have scored on equivalent terms.

Decision

The Committee agreed recommendations 2.1 (Option 2), 2.2, and 2.3 of the report submitted by the Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure Services and further agreed that the proposed draft byelaws be informally consulted on prior to consideration by the Area Committee at their December meeting.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure Services dated 24th September 2013, submitted).