

## **REVIEW OF LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES - CONSULTATION**

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### **1. SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise of the public consultation being held in regard to the emerging options for the review of services for adults with a Learning Disability in Argyll and Bute.

### **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The LACPG is asked to note that Adult Care Management staff will be consulting and communicating with service users, carers, community groups, staff and other stakeholders on the emerging short listed options.

### **3. DETAIL**

- 3.1 On 11<sup>th</sup> August a presentation was made to the Council's Area Committee by Douglas Boynton, Independent Consultant, detailing the choices for change to both home and community based day services and also day services based in a building. Representatives from Adult Care Management were also in attendance.
- 3.2 A full consultation document has been prepared along with a summary document. Copies of the consultation document, which outlines the options being considered, has been sent to all service users and carers, carers groups and community care fora in advance of the meetings arranged in each area in order that those attending are able to prepare their thoughts and views in advance. A self addressed envelope has been provided for responses.

The consultation documents are user friendly and easily understood. A representative group was set up to assist with this process and it was tested by a group of service users, carers and support staff.

The summary document also includes web link information to the full consultation document on Argyll and Bute website which can be viewed on [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldconsultation](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldconsultation).

The full consultation document will also be available in all Learning Disability Resource Centres, Social Work Offices and Carers Centres.

Personal letters and consultation packs have been issued to an appropriate list of MP's, MSP's and Trade Unions, advising them of the various elements of the consultation process.

#### 4. **CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 A further period of consultation is being undertaken to obtain feedback on the short listed options emerging from the appraisal exercise in regard to the re-design of Services for people with a Learning Disability.

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