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## HEALTHY LIVING AND SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Remote meeting, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.

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Present: Councillor S.J. Griffiths (Chair); Councillor N.C. Thomas (Vice-Chair);  
Councillors J. Aviet, J.E. Charles, O. Griffiths, R. Nugent-Finn and J.W. Thomas.

Also present: Councillors B.T. Gray (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health)  
and K.F. McCaffer (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Arts and Culture).

### AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE –

This was received from Councillor T.H. Jarvie.

### AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 be approved as a correct record.

### AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations were received.

### AGENDA ITEM 4. ANNUAL SOCIAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIONS AND COMPLAINTS REPORT 2020/21 (DSS) –

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the content of the Annual Social Services Representations and Complaints Report for 2020/21 be noted.
- (2) T H A T an annual update report in relation to complaints and compliments received by the Social Services Department be received by the Committee at its October 2022 meeting.

#### Reason for recommendations

- (1) To ensure effective scrutiny of performance in Social Services and to provide evidence about the effect upon the lives of individual service users and their families/ carers.
- (2) To ensure that oversight of this important area is maintained.

AGENDA ITEM 5. CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT (DSS) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the following aspects of the report be noted:

- the context and structure of the Social Services Citizen Engagement Annual Report for 2020-21 and the newly agreed priorities for consultation in 2021-22,
- the methods employed by the Council when obtaining the views of its citizens and their families,
- the improvement priorities for the service areas as highlighted by the recommendations within the Annual Report, and
- the impact COVID 19 has had on the service through the experiences of citizens and carers, and the resilience that the service has demonstrated.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the report relating to the outcomes and recommendations of the annual consultation programme for Social Services for 2020-21.

AGENDA ITEM 6. REVENUE AND CAPITAL MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL TO 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2021 (DSS) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the position with regard to the 2021/22 revenue and capital budgets be noted.

Reason for Recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting regarding the projected outturn for 2021/22.

AGENDA ITEM 7. 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION TRACKING 2021/22 AND UPDATED COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME SCHEDULE 2021/22 (MD) –

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the status of the actions listed in Appendix A to the report be agreed.
- (2) T H A T the updated Committee Forward Work Programme Schedule attached at Appendix B to the report be approved and uploaded to the Council's website.
- (3) T H A T a workshop discussion be arranged immediately prior to the 9<sup>th</sup> November Committee meeting between Committee Members and the Director of Social Services.

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Reasons for recommendations

- (1) To maintain effective tracking of the Committee's recommendations.
- (2) For consideration and information.
- (3) To provide all parties with the opportunity to discuss suggested changes to the Committee's Forward Work Programme following a period of reflection on the current content.