

# Agenda

## Adult Care and Well Being Overview and Scrutiny Panel

**Tuesday, 17 November 2015, 10.00 am**  
**County Hall, Worcester**

All County Councillors are invited to attend and participate

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## DISCLOSING INTERESTS

There are now 2 types of interests:  
**'Disclosable pecuniary interests'** and **'other disclosable interests'**

### WHAT IS A 'DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST' (DPI)?

- Any **employment**, office, trade or vocation carried on for profit or gain
- **Sponsorship** by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party of your member or election expenses
- Any **contract** for goods, services or works between the Council and you, a firm where you are a partner/director, or company in which you hold shares
- Interests in **land** in Worcestershire (including licence to occupy for a month or longer)
- **Shares** etc (with either a total nominal value above £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital) in companies with a place of business or land in Worcestershire.

**NB Your DPIs include the interests of your spouse/partner as well as you**

### WHAT MUST I DO WITH A DPI?

- **Register** it within 28 days and
- **Declare** it where you have a DPI in a matter at a particular meeting
  - you must **not participate** and you **must withdraw**.

**NB It is a criminal offence to participate in matters in which you have a DPI**

### WHAT ABOUT 'OTHER DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS'?

- No need to register them but
- You must **declare** them at a particular meeting where:  
You/your family/person or body with whom you are associated have a **pecuniary interest** in or **close connection** with the matter under discussion.

### WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP OF ANOTHER AUTHORITY OR PUBLIC BODY?

You will not normally even need to declare this as an interest. The only exception is where the conflict of interest is so significant it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

### DO I HAVE TO WITHDRAW IF I HAVE A DISCLOSABLE INTEREST WHICH ISN'T A DPI?

Not normally. You must withdraw only if it:

- affects your **pecuniary interests OR** relates to a **planning or regulatory** matter
- **AND** it is seen as likely to **prejudice your judgement** of the public interest.

### DON'T FORGET

- If you have a disclosable interest at a meeting you must **disclose both its existence and nature** – 'as noted/recorded' is insufficient
- **Declarations must relate to specific business** on the agenda
  - General scattergun declarations are not needed and achieve little
- Breaches of most of the **DPI provisions** are now **criminal offences** which may be referred to the police which can on conviction by a court lead to fines up to £5,000 and disqualification up to 5 years
- Formal **dispensation** in respect of interests can be sought in appropriate cases.

## **Adult Care and Well Being Overview and Scrutiny Panel Tuesday, 17 November 2015, 10.00 am, County Hall, Worcester**

### **Membership**

#### **Councillors:**

Mr T A L Wells (Chairman), Mrs J L M A Griffiths (Vice Chairman), Mr R C Adams, Mr C J Bloore, Mr A Fry, Mr P Grove, Mrs A T Hingley and Mr C G Holt

### **Agenda**

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3	<b>Public Participation</b> Members of the public wishing to take part should notify the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, in writing or by email indicating the nature and content of their proposed participation no later than 9.00am on the working day before the meeting (in this case 16 November 2015). Enquiries can be made through the telephone number/email address below.	
4	<b>Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b> Previously circulated	
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## **ADULT CARE AND WELL-BEING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL 17 NOVEMBER 2015**

### **CORPORATE STRATEGY PLANNING AND 2016/17 BUDGET: ADULT SERVICES AND HEALTH**

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#### **Summary**

1. As part of the Council's process for consultation on the 2016/17 budget, the Cabinet Members with Responsibility for Health and Well-being and Adult Social Care and the Director of Adult Services and Health have been invited to discuss the budget challenges facing services in 2016/17 and how these are being addressed.

#### **Background**

2. The Council needs to ensure that it can continue to deliver services within a tight financial settlement and find solutions to deliver the necessary savings. The Council continues working to do things differently through the FutureFit programme, with a combination of efficiencies and savings proposals.
3. On 19 November 2015 the Cabinet will be considering the development of the Corporate Plan, FutureFit, and the next Medium Term Financial Plan 2016/17 to 2019/20, alongside savings proposals which have emerged from Corporate Strategy Planning 2015.
4. The report to Cabinet will set out the context for the budget, as well as feedback from local businesses and staff, the Council's Corporate Plan Priorities and a financial summary. The Cabinet report, including the savings proposals, will be available from 10 November 2015 and can be accessed on the Council's website [here](#).

#### **Adult Services and Health**

5. The Council has a duty to improve and protect the public's health alongside its responsibilities for adult social care. Areas that continue to be a focus include:
  - a) **Promoting health and independence** - information and advice is now available online through the 'Your Life Your Choice' website. Well-being principles are firmly embedded in social work practice in Worcestershire. Moving forwards the focus will be on reviewing information and advice and developing community resilience whilst enhancing volunteering plans.
  - b) **Reducing the need for adult social care** through re-commissioning of integrated recovery services.

- c) **Allow greater choice and control for service users** with over 3000 services already available through 'Your Life Your Choice'. A third of people now take a direct payment. The focus on increasing the services that are available online will continue whilst targeting the people who are most likely to benefit from direct payments.
- d) **Maximising the quality and productivity of services** recognising a new quality assurance framework has now been established with an ongoing Supported Living project.
- e) **Making sure we comply with our legal duties** seeing success this year in embedding the Care Act phase one changes with phase two deferred until 2020.

6. The Future Lives programme will continue to progress with new proposals included in the supporting information including investment in new technologies to improve care while further efficiencies are driven through a review of learning and disabilities care packages; training for adult social care and Side By Side services.

### **Equality and Diversity Implications**

7. Last year's budget scrutiny task group gave a "light touch" consideration to equalities issues raised by savings proposals and suggested that the Diversity Manager should be invited to the Panel to help members consider the Equalities Impact of each Corporate Strategy proposal.

### **Purpose of the meeting**

8. The Panel is asked to consider and agree comments on the savings proposals for Adult Services and Health, which the Chairman will feed back to the Budget Member Challenge Group.

### **Supporting Information**

- Report to Cabinet on 19 November 2015 – available electronically only on the Council's website [here](#)

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## **Background Papers**

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

- Agenda and Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board on 7 July 2015
- Agenda and Minutes of the Adult Care and Well-being Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 11 November 2014

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