

**REPORT TO: THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE ON  
6 AUGUST 2008**

**SUBJECT: TELECARE**

**BY: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**1. REASON FOR REPORT**

- 1.1 To update committee on progress on implementation of telecare,
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of the Council's Administrative Scheme in relation to the function of the Council as Social Work Authority under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 **Committee is asked to homologate the approval of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Health and Social Care Committee to proceed with the recruitment of temporary staff as set out in the schedule of telecare funding in APPENDIX 1.**

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 The Scottish Government has offered to Moray Council £200k in grant funding to progress the implementation of telecare. This is in recognition of Moray's good progress in developing telecare to date. The grant is payable in year 2008/09 and is to be used to further develop telecare / telehealth in Moray.

**4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

- (a) **Corporate Development Plan/Community Plan/Service Improvement Plan**  
These proposals comply with Part 2 – Responsiveness & Consultation and Part 3 – Sound Governance at Strategic, Financial and Operational Level.
- (b) **Policy and Legal**  
None
- (c) **Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)**  
The grant will be used to fully fund all posts. No additional funding will be required.
- (d) **Consultations**  
Lorraine Paisey, Principal Accountant, Andrew Fowlie, General Manager, MCHSCP.

**5. CONCLUSION**

- 5.1 Moray Council has been pro-active in developing the use of telecare / telehealth. To continue to develop this area it is recommended that further short-term development posts be established. This will enable Moray Council to create the necessary strategic capacity for further implementation.**

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Background Papers:

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