

**REPORT TO: HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
26 MAY 2010**

**SUBJECT: PLANS FOR EXPENDITURE OF NEW FUNDING 2010-2011 –
OLDER PEOPLE'S SERVICES**

BY: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 This report sets out the plans for expenditure of the additional funding of £250,000 for Older People's Services in 2010-2011.
- 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 It is recommended that the Health & Social Care Services Committee: agrees the proposals and approves the draw down of additional funding of £250,000 for Older People's Services: £140,000 for Homecare and £110,000 for extra care housing development.**

3. BACKGROUND

Older Peoples Services

- 3.1 The financial services review conducted in 2008 established a three year budget for Council services. Older People's Services were allocated an additional £250,000 funding for each financial year 2008-2011.
- 3.2 The additional funding for Older People's Services was in recognition of the demographic pressures in Moray. The numbers of older people in Moray are projected to increase to 20,438 (36.9%) by 2019 and to 22,088 (48%) by 2024.¹ Whilst the numbers of people aged over 80 are projected to increase to 5,686 (59%) by 2014 and to 6,613 (85%) by 2024.
- 3.3 The age profile of Older People's Services shows that we have a total of 2,380 service users over the age of 65, and 992 (41.7%) of those are over the age of 85.
- 3.4 This demographic pressure combined with increased service user expectation, the national policy drives of shifting the balance of care from institutional to home based care and establishing a Community Care outcome focus of performance management, where quality of service user experience is the measure of success, have required that Older People's Services change and adapt rather than just grow existing services.

¹ Source: *2004 Based Population Projections for Moray – Summary*. Planning and Development, Environmental Services, The Moray Council.

- 3.5 The focus of change for 2008-2009 was on improving access to Older People's Services and improving quality of assessment, care planning and review by increasing the number of qualified Social Workers within the service and establishing the Home from Hospital Service in Elgin and Forres.
- 3.6 The focus of change for 2009-2010 was the improvement of and enhancement of home based services, primarily home care, provided either by Moray Council or by externally commissioned partners.
- 3.7 The focus for change for 2010-2011 will be the development of housing related support schemes that enhance independence and provide an alternative to residential admissions and the further funding of externally commissioned care.

4. DETAILED PROPOSALS

- 4.1 The budget for externally commissioned home care was over-committed in 09/10 by £143,000. It is proposed that £140,000 of the funding identified for Older People's Services growth be committed to external purchasing to enable this budget to deal with the demand for the service.
- 4.2 'The Use of Resources in Adult Social Care: A Guide for Local Authorities, Department of Health 2009' says:
"One of the drivers that may impact upon admissions to residential care is the availability of the right type of housing. One of the most significant ways in which local authorities have been able to reduce spend on residential care and increase the level of support for people to live in their own homes has been the growth of supported housing."
- 4.3 The Ministerial Strategic Group on Health and Community Care in Scotland has produced a paper 'Reshaping Care for Older People: Emerging Proposals'. This paper emphasises the need for all public services to focus on achieving the same outcomes, with the same priority in relation to housing needs of older people.
- 4.4 The development of extra-care housing is contained within the Older People's Strategy document, as an action to develop.
- 4.5 Hanover Housing Association provides very sheltered housing for Moray Council. Very sheltered schemes provide on-site support (as defined by supporting people activities) but not care. This creates an inefficiency in service provision, and potential duplication when care services undertake tasks that may be completed by support staff.
- 4.6 The development of extra-care housing in partnership with Hanover Housing will require that Hanover be commissioned to provide both care and support. Therefore, to facilitate this development £110,000 is requested to be drawn down into older people budgets.

5. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

- (a) Corporate Development Plan/Community Plan/Service Improvement Plan**
Congruent with Corporate Development Plan: 2004-2007.
Service Development Improvement Plan: 2008-2009.
SWIA Performance Inspection: 2007
Moray Community Planning Partnership Single Outcome Agreement 2008-2009.
- (b) Policy and Legal**
There are no implications arising directly from this report.
- (c) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)**
This report lays down how the additional funding of £250,000 granted within the three year budget 2008-2011 will be spent for Older People Services for 2010/11.
- (d) Consultations**
Consultations have taken place with the Director of Community Services, Chief Housing Officer, Housing Programmes Manager, General Manager, Moray Community Health & Social Care Partnership and Deborah Bosworth, Principal Accountant, who agree with the sections of the report relating to their areas of responsibility.

6. **CONCLUSION**

- 6.1 The Financial Service Plan 2008-2011 sets out a three year budget for Council services. This report sets out how the additional funding for Older People's Services in 2010/11 will be used.**

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Background Papers:
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