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**REPORT TO: HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON  
10 SEPTEMBER 2014**

**SUBJECT: UPDATE ON PROGRESSING SELF-DIRECTED SUPPORT (SDS)**

**BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR (EDUCATION AND SOCIAL CARE)**

**1. REASON FOR REPORT**

- 1.1 This report provides Committee with an update on the planned progression of the agenda for Self-Directed Support (SDS).
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (E) (1) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to the function of the Council as a Social Work Authority under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

**2.1 It is recommended that Committee:**

- i) **considers the progress made on the development of Self-Directed Support (SDS) in Moray; and**
- ii) **agrees the proposed process set for Council provided services.**

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 This report is a further update on the planned progression of SDS agreed by the Health & Social Care Services Committee on 31 March 2010 (para 7 of the minute refers). An update is brought to each Committee cycle, with the latest being on 11 June 2014 (para 5 of the minutes refers).

**4. UPDATE/PROGRESS**

- 4.1 Following on from the SDS awareness sessions held throughout Moray in conjunction with the proposed contributions policy, a further two public awareness sessions were planned for the end of August 2014. Unfortunately these have had to be postponed due to the venues being affected by the recent floods, but will be rescheduled. The sessions are primarily aimed at learning disability and mental health service users and their families based on the evaluation from the consultation.

- 4.2 The final workshop with the Institute for Research and Innovation in Social Services (IRISS) took place at the end of August 2014. These workshops have focused on SDS for small businesses, with the final blueprint from the workshops currently being developed. It is anticipated that IRISS will continue their involvement with The Moray Council to further develop the blueprints and put forward prototypes.
- 4.3 Work is continuing to implement the two Carefirst financial modules and it is anticipated that roll out will start in September 2014, team by team, until the end of March 2015. Before the modules are able to go live with each team, all team members will be trained fully in the use of both modules, with proposed timescales for this being finalised.
- 4.4 The SDS Supported Self Assessment Questionnaire is now live on Carefirst enabling the time taken to complete the document to be reduced. Work is ongoing to allow the system to total the indicative budget based on the responses to the questions.
- 4.5 As SDS requires indicative budgets to be identified to allow individuals to identify their outcomes, defining the cost of services is imperative to allow service users to develop their individual support plan. As a result of this, our internal services need to have clear and transparent costings enabling individuals to make an informed decision.
- 4.6 The level of subsidy of our internal services needs to be one which is competitive with our external services and which ensures market stability. The indicative proposed price of our internal services have been identified, and are attached with this report in **APPENDIX 1**.

## **5. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

### **(a) Moray 2023: A Plan for the Future/Service Plan**

The Council has made a commitment to developing SDS as a means of promoting independent living and equalities. The independent living and equalities agenda cuts across all areas in the single outcome agreement.

### **(b) Policy and Legal**

The Council has a legal duty under The Community Care and Health (Scotland) Act 2002 and sections 12B and 12C of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to promote direct payments. Expenditure of this nature must promote independent living and equal opportunities.

### **(c) Financial implications**

The Moray Council has received an allocation of funds from the Scottish Government to progress the SDS agenda. There are no financial implications relating to the Pilotlight project.

**(d) Risk Implications**

There are no identified risks to the Council.

**(e) Staffing Implications**

This has been discussed in previous reports

**(f) Property**

There are no implications in relation to property or accommodation.

**(g) Equalities**

An equality impact assessment was carried out as part of the development of the policy/strategy/activity. No negative impact has been identified. The recommendations are expected to promote equality of opportunity for the following groups: age, disability.

**(h) Consultations**

Consultations have taken place with: Head of Community Care; Deborah O'Shea, Principal Accountant; Dafydd Lewis, Senior Auditor; Provider Services Manager; Assessment and Care Service Manager; Performance and Commissioning Manager, Specialist Services Manager, SDS Commissioning Officer and Self-Directed Support Officer who agree with the sections of the report relating to their areas of responsibility.

**6. CONCLUSION**

**6.1 This report to Committee updates the progress of SDS in Community Care and, with Committee approval, focuses the work to be undertaken to progress.**

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**APPENDIX 1****Indicative proposed price of Internal Services for SDS**

<b>Service provision</b>	<b>Price</b>
<b>Day Services LD/YPD</b>	
Cedarwood Birnie Towerview Keith Resource Centre	£100/day
Moray Resource Centre	£60/day
Buckie Coffee Shop	£30/day
Greenfingers	£35/day
Harlequins	£40/day
Artisans	£25/day
Phoenix Centre *	£65/day
Team	£30/day
Desk Top Publishing - Elgin **	£125/day
<b>Day Services OP</b>	
Tomintoul - Castlehill	£25/day
Dufftown - Stephen Hospital Rothes - Linnburn Seafeld Hospital Gurness Circle	£45/day
<b>Respite</b>	
Taigh Farrairs	£200/day
Murray Street	£215/day
<b>Care at Home</b>	
Home Care	£22.28/hour
Community Support Service	£21.81/hour
<b>Shared Lives</b>	
Day Care & Respite	£6.30/hour

Note \* Based on CareFirst - 7 clients 67 hrs per week

Note \*\* Based on CareFirst - 6 clients 46 hrs per week