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Community and Older People Policy and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday 14 July 2011

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Venue: Committee Room 1

(Private pre-meeting for Committee Members at 9.30am in Committee Rm. 1)

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Agenda

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The main items of business for discussion at this meeting are:

- Information Portal for Adult Social Care
- Residential Homes for people with Learning Difficulties
- Absence Management (implementation review date)
- Blue Badge programme – interim report



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Part I

(Business to be taken in public)

1. Apologies and Substitution Notices

The Committee Officer to report receipt (if any).

2. Declarations of Interest

To note any declarations of interest to be made by Members.

3. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 9 June 2011 (copy attached on blue paper).

4. Information Portal for Adult Social Care

To receive a report on (CWOP/30/11) from Martin Chaney, Website Content and Strategy Manager, on the web hosted information portal for Adult Social Care (Universal Information, Advice and Advocacy).

5. Residential Homes - Learning Difficulties

To receive a report (CWOP/31/11) from Maria Warren, Senior Strategic Commissioning Officer, and Janice Shwky, Services Manager Residential and Short Breaks, on residential and nursing home services for people with learning difficulties.

6. Final Report: Absence Management in the Adults Health and Community Wellbeing Directorate

To receive an update (CWOP/32/11) from Liz Chidgey, Deputy Executive Director for Adults Health and Community Wellbeing, on the implementation of recommendations from the final scrutiny report on high absence rates in the Adults Health and Community Wellbeing Directorate.

7. Blue Badge – Interim Report

To receive a report (CWOP/33/11) from Helen Whitting, Business Manager Customer Access, on proposed administrative changes to the Blue Badge Scheme. Sue Hawkins, Commissioning & Delivery Director – ESCD & Safeguarding Essex, will be present at the meeting to introduce the report.

8. Forward Look

To receive a report (CWOP/34/11) that sets out the current position on the Forward Look and to note any updates.

9. Dates of Future Meetings

To note that the next meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday 8 September 2011. It is proposed that the following dates be reserved for this committee as activity days, and may comprise:

- Meetings in private
- Meetings in public
- Working groups
- Sub-Committee meetings
- Outside visits

Thursday 13 October 2011
Thursday 10 November 2011
Thursday 8 December 2011
Thursday 12 January 2012
Thursday 9 February 2012
Thursday 8 March 2012
Thursday 12 April 2012

10. Urgent Business

To consider any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

11. Exclusion of the Public

To consider whether the public (including the press) should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an agenda item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (exclusion is recommended for the items set out in Part II below).

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PART II

(Business to be taken in private)

At the time of preparation there are no items for inclusion in this part of the agenda.

12. Urgent Business

To consider any other matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.