

A business case for the development of Older People's Services

“ The authority needs to urgently review the level of funding committed to this service area and push ahead with planned changes to the service that will help to resolve the identified service deficiencies”

(The report of the Joint Review of Social Services in Herefordshire Council)

It is without doubt that Herefordshire is a county with a fast growing population of Older People. This demographic change means that the demands upon services for this user group will increase and the Herefordshire Council's Directorate of Social Care and Strategic Housing needs to change in order to be able to meet these demands.

This document describes where Social Care in Herefordshire stands with regard to Older People's Services. It will illustrate what changes will impact upon development and what the Council's responses should be.

The evidence provided offers the basis for a long-term strategic view for the future of services for Older People area.