

MEETING:	ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND STRATEGIC HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	13 DECEMBER 2010
TITLE OF REPORT:	EXECUTIVE RESPONSE TO REVIEW OF HOME CARE IN HEREFORDSHIRE
REPORT BY:	DIRECTOR: RESOURCES & DELIVERY

CLASSIFICATION: Open

Purpose

To provide an update and timetable for the Executive response to the recent Scrutiny Review of Home Care in Herefordshire.

Recommendation

THAT:

(a) the update and timetable for receipt of the Executive's response be noted

Key Points Summary

- The Executive is required to provide its response to a scrutiny review within two months of receiving the review report.
- To ensure that the response to the recommendations takes account of all relevant information, Cabinet will consider the recommendations within the context of its overall budget deliberations and provide a report to the Committee in the new year.

Alternative Options

1 None – statutory requirement for the Executive to respond.

Reasons for Recommendations

2 To meet statutory requirements.

Introduction and Background

3 Following the Adult Social Care & Strategic Housing Scrutiny Committee's acceptance of the findings of the review on Home Care in Herefordshire on 24th September, the report and recommendations were forwarded to the Executive for their consideration.

Further information on the subject of this report is available from Marcia Pert, Director of Resources and Delivery. Tel: 01432 383470

Key Considerations

- 4 The Cabinet Member has considered the review and its recommendations in detail. However, in light of both the Comprehensive Spending Review announcement in October, and further announcements specifically impacting the health & social care system, it would be premature to respond to the review recommendations without taking the implications of these announcements into account.
- 5 Members will of course recognise the financial challenge facing the council, and be mindful of the need to have all relevant information to hand when taking decisions. The report and its recommendations will therefore be considered in this context over the coming weeks and a comprehensive response provided in the New Year.

Community Impact

6 Not applicable at this stage.

Financial Implications

7 Not applicable at this stage.

Legal Implications

8 Not applicable at this stage.

Risk Management

9 Not applicable at this stage.

Consultees

10 None

Appendices

11 None.

Background Papers

None identified.