



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board Adult Social Care

Date: 9th September 2009

Subject: Inquiry Report, Major Adaptations for Disabled Adults – Formal Response

Electoral Wards Affected: All

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 Introduction

1.1 During 2008/2009, the Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) conducted an inquiry on Major Adaptations for Disabled Adults and issued a report on the 17th June 2009 setting out its conclusions and recommendations. This report is attached as Appendix 1.

1.2 It is the normal practice to request a formal response from the relevant Directorate(s) to the Board's recommendations, once a report has been issued.

1.3 On the 26th of August 2009, the proposed response to the recommendations was submitted by the Director of Adult Social Services and the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods to the Council's Executive Board, who accepted the actions detailed in the response. This report is attached as Appendix 2.

1.4 At the Executive Board meeting on the 26th of August 2009 The Chair of the Scrutiny Board presented the inquiry findings and reiterated an earlier request that officers offer a more robust response to recommendation 9. This response has yet to be provided.

The Executive Board Resolved that :

- a) That the proposed responses to the Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) recommendations, as contained in the submitted report, be approved and that the request of the Scrutiny Board Chair be noted.
- b) That this Board requests that future Scrutiny Board inquiry reports should, as a matter of course, make reference to the cost implications arising from the recommendations.

- 1.5 Members are asked to consider the responses provided and to decide whether any further scrutiny involvement is required.
- 1.6 Any recommendations which have not yet been completed will be included in future recommendation tracking reports to enable the Board to continue to monitor progress.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 Members are asked to consider the responses provided and to decide whether further scrutiny involvement is required.

3.0 Background Papers

- 3.1 Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) Inquiry Report – Major Adaptations for Disabled Adults
Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) – Formal Response
Draft Executive Board Minutes – Meeting 26th August 2009.