

PUBLIC

MINUTES of a meeting of **IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - PEOPLE** held on Wednesday, 1 November 2023 at Committee Room 1, County Hall, Matlock, DE4 3AG.

PRESENT

Councillor K S Athwal (in the Chair)

Councillors S Burfoot, C Dale, R George, N Gourlay, R Iliffe, T Kemp and P Rose.

Also in attendance was L Elba-Porter.

Apologies for absence were submitted for Councillor J Wharmby.

24/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

25/23 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 06 September 2023 were confirmed as a correct record.

26/23 PUBLIC QUESTIONS (30 MINUTE MAXIMUM IN TOTAL)

There were no public questions.

27/23 RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS TO CHANGE THE CHARGING POLICY FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS IN RECEIPT OF ADULT SOCIAL CARE SUPPORT IN THE COMMUNITY

Linda Elba-Porter, Interim Director of Adult Social Care attended the meeting to present the results of the consultation on proposals to change the Charging Policy for local residents in receipt of Adult Social Care Support in the community.

A report was presented to Cabinet on the 15th June 2023 which sought approval to launch a public consultation; including consultation with local residents and their carers / families who were receiving Adult Social Care support in the community. Following Cabinet approval, the public consultation took place between the 3 July 2023 – 4 October 2023.

The Equalities Impact Assessment would be made available at the time the report was presented to Cabinet.

Members had questioned the attendance at both face to face and virtual meetings as well as the number of responses received overall to the consultation. It was confirmed that the number of responses equated to 36% of those receiving the care. Members were content that the consultation had taken place in a proper and appropriate manner.

It had been proposed by Councillor R George that the Committee make comment on the report, drawing Cabinet's attention to the key messages coming from the consultation results, emphasizing the impacts the options would have on users. Highlighting the top three responses in relation to finances, complexity and affordability; and the alternative suggestions made. The proposal was duly seconded by Councillor C Dale.

Following debate, the proposal was duly voted on and declared to be LOST.

The majority of Committee Members were confident that Cabinet would give due consideration to the points raised in the consultation before making its decision on the funding policy.

It was resolved that the report be noted.

28/23 WORK PROGRAMME

A number of items had come as suggestions for future work programme items following the previous two meetings.

Councillor K Athwal asked Committee Members for further suggestions. Members wished to see items on SEND Provision and Performance in regard to EHCP Assessments, School Governor Support, Support Provided to PA's and Full Time Carers, and a Review of Support Offered Following the Closure of Disability Day Centres.