



## Social Care and Inclusion Scrutiny and Performance Panel

Meeting to be held on 20 November 2012 at 6.00 p.m.

Your attendance is requested at the above meeting, which will be held at the Council House.

A list of the items of business to be considered at the meeting, together with any supporting papers is enclosed. Please bring the papers with you to the meeting.

<b><u>MEMBERSHIP:</u></b>	Chair:	Councillor T.Oliver
	Vice-Chair:	Councillor B. Douglas-Maul
	Councillors:	Councillor L. Rattigan Councillor J. Rochelle Councillor D. Coughlan Councillor R. Burley Councillor D. Barker

**PORTFOLIO HOLDER:** Councillor McCracken – Social Care and Health

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Some items are discussed in private because of their confidential nature, and reports on these are not available for the public. A guide to the types of information which are available to the public can also be found on our website or at the Civic Centre.

## ITEMS FOR BUSINESS

1.	<p><b>Apologies</b> To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Panel.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Substitutions</b> To receive notice of any substitutions from a member of the Panel for the duration of the meeting.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Declarations of interest and party whip</b> To receive declarations of interest or the party whip from Members in respect of items on the agenda.</p>	
4.	<p><b>Minutes of previous meeting</b> To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting that took place on 15 October 2012.</p>	
5.	<p><b>Benefits Based Charging</b>  Discussion with representatives from the Carer's Centre</p>	<u>Discussion</u>
6.	<p><b>Welfare Rights</b>  To provide the Panel with guidance regarding the work of the Welfare Rights Team</p>	<u>Presentation</u>
6.	<p><b>Quality Assurance Team</b>  To provide an update to Members</p>	<u>Enclosed</u>
7.	<p><b>Carers' Strategy</b>  To provide the Panel with an update</p>	<u>Presentation</u>
8.	<p><b>Budget Planning 2013/14</b>  To enable Members to contribute to the budget setting process.</p>	<u>Enclosed</u>
9.	<p><b>Work Programme 2012/13 and Forward Plan</b>  To consider the Panel's work programme and the latest version of Cabinet's Forward Plan of Key Decisions</p>	<u>Enclosed</u>
10.	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b> To note the time and date of the next meeting as 6.00pm on 15 January 2013.</p>	

## The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

### Specified pecuniary interests

The pecuniary interests which are specified for the purposes of Chapter 7 of Part 1 of the Localism Act 2011 are the interests specified in the second column of the following:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Prescribed description</b>
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	<p>Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by a member in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of a member.</p> <p>This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Regulations (Consolidation) Act 1992.</p>
Contracts	<p>Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority:</p> <p>(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and</p> <p>(b) which has not been fully discharged.</p>
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	<p>Any tenancy where (to a member's knowledge):</p> <p>(a) the landlord is the relevant authority;</p> <p>(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.</p>
Securities	<p>Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where:</p> <p>(a) that body (to a member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and</p> <p>(b) either:</p> <p>(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or</p> <p>(ii) if the share capital of that body is more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.</p>