ITEM 6b



COUNCIL CABINET 31 OCTOBER 2006

Report of the Adult Services and Health Commission

Modernising Day and Residential Services for People with Learning Disabilities

RECOMMENDATION

1.1 The Adult Services and Health Commission requests that any capital receipts generated from the sale of buildings be ring fenced for this service provision.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Adult Services and Health Commission considered a report of the Corporate Director Corporate and Adult Social Services on the Consultation on the Modernising Day and Residential Services for People with Learning Disabilities at their September Meeting. This had been the first opportunity for the Commission to consider the consultation report, which had also been considered by the Council Cabinet at their 1 August meeting.
- 2.2 The Commission noted the recommendations to progress to stage 2 of the Project Plan which involved amongst others to undertake option appraisals and feasibility study on alternatives to the closure of the Knoll residential home. The Commission also noted the need to focus residential services on short break and emergency care as recommended by the Best Value Review.
- 2.3 On considering the report, the Commission recommended that should it be necessary to close some of the centres and sell the buildings, the Council Cabinet should seek to ring fence the capital receipts from the sale for services for people with learning difficulties. The Commission felt that these are important assets and should be not lost in the wider Council budget at the detriment of the people with learning disabilities.

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Background papers: Consultation on the modernisation of learning disability day and

residential services Cabinet Report

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. The Commission asks that any capital receipts raised through the sale of building currently providing services to people with learning disabilities be ring fenced for use within the service.

Legal

2. The Adult Services and Health Commission is responsible for the overview and scrutiny of services that fall within its remit including people with learning disabilities.

Personnel

3. None directly arising

Equalities Impact

4. People with learning disabilities are amongst some of the most vulnerable members of the community.

Corporate priorities

5. The report accords with the Corporate priorities of building healthy communities by improving the standard of social care for vulnerable adults and older people