Adults and Health Cabinet Member Meeting
13 November 2014

Present: Councillor Repton
             Councillors Pegg and Webb in attendance

01/14   Apologies

There were none.

02/14   Late Items

There were no late items.

03/14   Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations.

04/14   Proposed Change to Alternative Living Scheme

A report of the Strategic Director of Adults, Health and Housing on the proposed change to Alternative Living Scheme was considered. It was noted that the proposal was that the Alternative Living Scheme was fully based in the Council House rather then in Newdigate Street.

The officer reported that Newdigate Street had historically been the office base for the scheme, at which there was a tenancy in place until March 2014. It was noted that the majority of support for ALS customers was provided intheir own homes or local communities.

The Cabinet Member was informed that a 90 day consultation had been carried out with customers, staff and stakeholders which had been launched at an open meeting. It was noted that a second meeting was also carried out that focused on picking up concerns and clarifyingfactual issues that had occurred in the first half of the consultation period.

It was reported that an Equality Impact Assessment was carried out, that concluded that the proposal should be adjusted to remove identified barriers and better promote equality. Officers reported that the Equalities Officer at the Council would be fully involved in the proposal and its delivery.

The Cabinet Member stated that he wished to provide reassurance to all users of the service that the service was not ending or changing but that the office that the service was delivered from was.

Resolved:

1) **to agree the proposal to base the Alternative Living Scheme in the Council House and to implement this no earlier then January 31st 2015;**

2) **to continue delivering the Alternative Living Scheme to support some of Derby's most vulnerable deaf adults.**

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