

Subject:	Day Activity Review		
Date of Meeting:	25th November 2013		
Report of:	Executive Director of Adult Social Services		
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FOR GENERAL RELEASE**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT:**

- 1.1 This report focuses on the consultation about the relocation of the Connaught day service and also provides information about the outcomes of the individual social care assessments that have been undertaken as part of the Day Activity Review.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That Committee note that, in consultation with the Chair of Adult Care & Health Committee, the Executive Director of Adult Services used her constitutional Delegated Authority on 5th November 2013 to approve the relocation of the Connaught Day Service to the Belgrave Day Options base in Portslade following consideration of the outcomes from the formal consultation.
- 2.2 That Committee note the outcomes of the social care assessments.

3. CONTEXT/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 3.1 The Vision for day activities is of a modern, flexible day options model which provides personalised care and support for service users and their carers and makes the best use of local community activities. Whilst the majority of users of day centres are satisfied with their service, there is still a limited choice of activities, with duplication across services and a lack of person-centred day options. Day service providers are exploring how they can offer more flexible opening times and how they can provide wrap around services, employment and voluntary opportunities and how they can make the best use of community resources as well as their own buildings.
- 3.2 Independently of the Day Activity Review, the Council has been undertaking a review of Council owned buildings in order to make the best use of resources and two Council run day services, Buckingham Road and Connaught, have been affected by the outcome of this review.

- 3.3 There have been 4 reports in the last year presented at Adult Care & Health Committee which have highlighted the various aspects of the Day Activities Review and the changes to Council owned day centre buildings. This report provides an update on two key areas:

3.3.1 Connaught Day Service. The Day Options service at Connaught Day Centre is required to move as the building is needed by Education. Service users and carers have been consulted about moving the service to the Belgrave building. There have been no specific concerns raised during the consultation period. Appendix 1 sets out the outcome of the consultation and the background to the decision of the Executive Director of Adult Services.

3.3.2 Assessments of need. To ensure that users of day services are receiving services that accurately reflect their needs and aspirations, (and to enable effective planning), assessments of individual service user needs are being carried out. To date, 38 assessments have been completed resulting in some changes to services and consequently, some new and creative person-centred care packages. Appendix 2 sets out the outcomes of the assessments that have been completed to date.

3.3.3 Buckingham Road Day Service. In September 2013, Policy & Resource Committee agreed to grant a long lease at Buckingham Road and it is anticipated that 6 months notice will be given to the Day Options service that is currently based there, in the Spring of 2014. Members were informed at the September Committee meeting that Montague Place had been suggested as an alternative location for the Our Art project. Work is ongoing to establish whether this would be the best option for the current users of this service.

4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

- 4.1 See Appendix 1 for the analysis of the consultation about the move of the Connaught Day Service to the Belgrave Day Service.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION:

- 5.1 See Appendix 1 for the outcome of the consultation about the move of the Connaught Day Service to the Belgrave Day Service.
- 5.2 See Appendix 2 for details of social care assessments and information about how service users, carers and advocates are involved in the assessment process.

6. CONCLUSION:

- 6.1 This report informs Committee of the outcome of the consultation regarding the Connaught Day Service relocation to the Belgrave Day Options base in Portslade and the resulting decision by the Executive Director of Adult Services.

6.2 This report provides Committee with an update with regard to the outcomes of individual social care assessments.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

7.1 Financial Implications:

The estimated capital cost for the remodelling of the Belgrave Centre is £150k of which £100k is expected to be funded by Children's Services and the remainder from available Adults Services capital resources. The capital scheme will be reported through to Policy & Resources Committee for approval. Associated revenue costs will be managed within the 2013/14 and 2014/15 day activities budgets.

The financial impact of the assessments is reflected within the financial modelling for day options and assessment services. The projected costs of service users placed in alternative community services and resultant savings against Provider Services are built into the 2013/14 forecasts and the 2014/15 budget proposals.

Finance Officer Consulted: Anne Silley

Date: 12/11/13

7.2 Legal Implications:

This report is for noting only. The Executive Director for Adult Services has exercised her delegated power to make the decision to relocate the Connaught Day Service in accordance with Part 6 of the Council's Constitution. Such decision was informed by a consultation with potentially affected persons. Reassessment of needs have been undertaken in accordance with the Council's ongoing statutory duty to assess need and make provision to meet eligible need. All assessment must continue to have regard for individual's Human Rights as enshrined in the Human Rights Act 1998.

Lawyer Consulted: Sandra O'Brien

Date: 11/11/13

7.3 Equalities Implications:

An Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out as part of the Review of Day Activities and this takes account of the proposal to relocate Connaught to Belgrave Day Options Base.

7.4 Sustainability Implications:

There are no specific sustainability implications relating to this proposed service relocation.

7.5 Any Other Significant Implications:

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

The relocation of Connaught Day Options Service supports the city priority to increase primary school places in the Hove area. Relocating to the Belgrave Day

Service site enables Adult Care to continue to provide a day service for people with learning disabilities and complex needs.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Relocation of Connaught Day Service Consultation Summary
2. Day Activity Review - Assessments of Need

Documents in Members' Rooms

1. Equality Impact Assessment