

CABINET DECISIONS ON REPORTS PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED BY THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OSC

The following report was presented to the OSC on 5 June 2018 for comment prior to determination by the Cabinet.

The following is an extract from the Cabinet minutes of 14 June:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ADULT CARE

Extra Care and Supported Housing Strategy

The report sought approval for a strategy for the development of housing schemes designed to enable people to live independently (copy attached to the signed minutes as Appendix E).

Councillor Jones set out a detailed background to the report and thanked Scrutiny for the positive support to the report's proposals. Ms Bainbridge added that the report set out the direction of travel, scope, definition and opportunities with North of Tyne and investors who wanted to work with the Authority.

Members welcomed this initiative which showed clear leadership and felt it was very important to provide these kind of facilities in order to allow people to remain within their own communities when they got to the stage of needing help. It was hoped that this could be done in smaller communities also. The Leader commented that the report clearly set out the scale of the challenge and the level of need right across the county. The planned delivery programme, working with the private sector, or alone where appropriate, would ensure the need was met.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the draft strategy be endorsed;
- (b) the Executive Director of Adult Social Care and the Executive Director for Place be asked to carry forward detailed planning for supported housing schemes in individual locations – initially focusing on the list set out in the strategy, but also responding to any opportunities which arise;
- (c) it be noted that some schemes can be developed without Council funding, but that some are likely to require financial support. Funding to support these developments is being sought through the North of Tyne combined authority. In any case where Council funding is required for the viability of schemes, detailed business cases will be prepared; and
- (d) the report of the Health and Wellbeing OSC be noted.

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