

LEAD MEMBER FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Adult Social Care and Health, Councillor Carl Maynard, on 31 October 2022 at a Remote Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Councillors Nuala Geary and Wendy Maples spoke on item 5 (see minute 30)

25. DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD MEMBER ON 28 SEPTEMBER 2022

25.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 28 September 2022.

26. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

26.1 There were none.

27. REPORTS

27.1 Copies of the reports referred to below are included in the minute book.

28. URGENT ITEMS

28.1 There were no urgent items.

29. FUTURE TECHNOLOGY ENABLED CARE SERVICE PROVISION

29.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Adult Social Care and Health regarding the Future Technology Enabled Care (TEC) service provision.

DECISIONS

29.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) approve the recommissioning of the telecare contract to be awarded in April 2023 with a start date of 1 September 2023; and
- 2) delegate authority to the Director of Adult Social Care and Health to take all necessary actions, including contract award, to give effect to the implementation of the above decision.

REASONS

29.3 TEC services offer reassurance and peace of mind to a significant number of clients and at little cost, offering both value for money and a means to enable adults to maintain independent lifestyles for longer than would otherwise be possible. It is therefore important that this vital service is retained to benefit both existing and future clients.

30. HOMES FOR UKRAINE HOST WINTER TOP-UP PAYMENTS

30.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Adult Social Care and Health regarding the Homes for Ukraine (HfU) host Winter top-up payments.

DECISIONS

30.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) note that sustaining host/guest arrangements is a key part of managing the risk of homelessness to Ukrainians on the Homes for Ukraine scheme in the short to medium term;
- 2) note that increased costs this winter will cause additional pressure on hosts at a time when many are considering whether they can continue hosting; and
- 3) agree to a Winter top-up of the host thank you payment from the HfU tariff grant as set out in the report.

REASONS

30.3 National and local insight and feedback confirms that many host families are under financial pressure and that this is a key reason a significant proportion of hosts are considering ending their hosting arrangements. With financial pressures increasing as we head into Winter, topping up host payments will give hosts additional financial security to enable and incentivise them to continue hosting.