

SUMMARY OF POTENTIAL OPTIONS

RESIDENTIAL CARE

- **Council currently operates 3 residential homes** (Awelon (Ruthin), Cysgod y Gaer (Corwen) & Dolwen (Denbigh))
- **A total of 54 residents** (compared to 425 supported in the independent sector in the County)
- **96 staff**
- **In-house residential care costs £2.25m per annum** (£800 per resident per week, compared to £460pw in independent sector)

OPTION 1 – Do Nothing	OPTION 3 – Provide alternative services
<p>Continue with the service at a cost of £2.25m per year increasing year on year & capital maintenance costs on the buildings</p>	<p>Find alternative care for 54 residents in the independent sector, realising a saving of approximately £500K per annum and capital receipts from the sale of the buildings BUT work with housing associations or other partners to develop Extra Care housing</p> <p>Recommended option as it fits in with the Council and Welsh Government’s (WG) vision for future social care and well-being.</p>

DAY CARE

- **Council currently operates 3 day centres attached to residential homes** (Awelon (Ruthin), Cysgod y Gaer (Corwen) & Dolwen (Denbigh)) **and one stand-alone day centre** (Hafan Deg, Rhyl)
- **A total of 10 people are supported at Hafan Deg** (compared to 45 supported in the independent sector)
- **10 staff employed at Hafan Deg**

OPTION 1 – Do Nothing	OPTION 2 – Close the buildings
<p>Continue to provide the service from Council run residential homes as at present, incurring the costs outlined above under ‘Residential Care’, and continue to run Hafan Deg at a premium of approximately £75K per year in comparison to the independent sector</p>	<p>Support service users to find alternative provision within the independent sector and work with partners to develop Extra Care Housing which includes an option for non-residents to access day care services at those establishments.</p> <p>Transfer the Hafan Deg building to an outside organisation as a community asset to provide community activities, including social support for older people to reduce the risk of social isolation.</p> <p>Recommended option as it fits in with the Council and WG’s vision and legislation for supporting independence and developing community resources focussed on early intervention and prevention</p>

EXTRA CARE DOMICILIARY SUPPORT

- **3 Extra Care facilities in Denbighshire are owned and managed by housing associations**
- **30 members of staff providing care to residents are employed by the Council**
- **Providing care costs the Council £29 per hour compared to an average cost of £12.50 in the independent sector**

OPTION 1 – Do Nothing	OPTION 2 – Outsource the domiciliary care provision
Incur an additional £300K costs per year in comparison to the private sector	<p>Transfer staff over under the Transfer of Undertakings Protection of Employment (TUPE) arrangements to realise savings of approximately £270K per annum (remaining amount would increase the contract management and quality assurance functions in the Social Services Department)</p> <p>Recommended option as it has little impact on staff or service users and generates substantial savings</p>

COMMUNITY LIVING SCHEMES

- Only 3 schemes are now run by the Council following the transfer of a number of schemes over to the independent sector over recent years
- **3 properties owned by housing associations** supported by **12 staff employed by the Council**
- **Recommendation is to continue with the current transfer strategy at an appropriate pace for individuals and staff concerned as savings will be low**

WORK AND DAY OPPORTUNITIES

- Separate working group looking at this area
- Due to the complex nature of this service the Group will not be able to report until the autumn of 2014