

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

**County Council
15th July 2015**

REPORT AUTHOR: County Councillor Darren Mayor, Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care

SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Gary Price

It was stated in the Chamber of the Senedd during First Ministers Question held on 2nd June 15 by an Assembly Member. (Following Text from transcript) *It now transpires from the liquidators report that, actually, PCC were lending taxpayers' money to that company to pay their HMRC bill and were in the process of delivering another loan to that company for their subcontractors to be paid when that company became bankrupt. Can the Portfolio Holder clarify if this is correct please?*

This question was covered in a previous question to Council on 23rd April. The response was as follows:

Powys County Council provided financial support to Alpha Care with a cash advance to assist their cash flow position in August 2014 in order to protect service delivery and ensure the payment of employees` wages.

The Cash advance in August 2014 was in the sum of £50,000 and was authorised by officers in the service as an operational decision. This sum has been recovered.

It is correct that the Council has been approached for a loan but a decision was taken not to provide financial support.