

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

**County Council
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REPORT AUTHOR: County Councillor Barry Thomas, Leader

SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Gary Price

Given that Powys County Council has now terminated the contracts of two of the four providers for home care services can the leader please answer the following questions:

- 1. How much did Powys County Council pay for the services of the company (Smart Sourcing PLC) to undertake the commissioning work for the home care services?**
 - 2. Did Powys County Council financially support Alpha Home Care prior to terminating its contract?**
 - 3. How much did Powys County Council financially support Alpha Home Care, and has and repayment been made?**
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1. Between 1st September 2010 and 1st June 2014 (when the contractor finished working for the Council), Smart Sourcing were paid £136,735 in relation to their work completed on the Domiciliary Care tender.
 2. 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.
 3. 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 in a recent payment.