

## Decisions taken by Individual Portfolio Holders

**County Councillor Stephen Hayes**  
**Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care**

**Decisions Taken 12 June 2017**  
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**Engagement of external support to review the Council's Open Book Fee Setting methodology for residential and nursing care placements**

<b>DECISION</b>	<b>Reason for Decision:</b>
<p><b>To approve the commissioning of short-term external support to review the Council's Open Book process, and to make recommendations for changes to fee setting processes, if the Open Book process is found to no longer represent best practice.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Commissioning external, independent support will indicate to the market that the Council is listening to providers concerns, enabling the council to continue to commission appropriate care home placements at an agreed fee whilst the fee setting methodology is reviewed.</b></li><li>• <b>The review will enable the robustness of the current fee setting model to be examined without disruption to the care market.</b></li><li>• <b>Help build ownership and commitment to any future fee setting methodology within the residential and nursing care market.</b></li><li>• <b>Support the calculation of any future fee increase due (if any)</b></li></ul>