

**CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.**

**CABINET EXECUTIVE  
12 February 2019 2019**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** County Councillor County Councillor Stephen Hayes  
Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care

**SUBJECT:** Update: Review of Day Time Activities for Older People (including Day Centres)

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**REPORT FOR:** Information

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**1. Summary**

- 1.1 Following a public consultation, Cabinet on the 20<sup>th</sup> December 2016 agreed to
- Restore £1.1m funding to enable the continuation of a reduced in-house day service in current localities.  
and
  - Authorise the portfolio-holder for Adult Social Care, in conjunction with the Head of Transformation and Director of Social Services, to enter into discussions with Town and Community Councils or other community, private or third sector bodies and if appropriate conclude partnership arrangements for the funding, management or delivery of Day Time Activities.
- 1.2 This report is as a result of the expectation set by Cabinet to be informed in two years as to how the service would continue in a sustainable manner from April 2019. This report is a snapshot of the situation in January 2019 and will provide an ongoing benchmark for future developments.
- 1.3 The cost of the service in 2016 was £1.611m. The savings targets from 2017 have been:
- 2017-2018: £150k target – achieved
  - 2018-2019: £50k target – achieved
  - 2019-2020: £250k target – £110k planned and work pending
- 1.4 This report outlines the work undertaken to date and the planned future work to ensure that the service is provided and sustainable at a reduced cost. This report also describes work undertaken with 3<sup>rd</sup> sector day services for older people, not included in the budget set above.

**2. Overview of Work Undertaken and Planned**

- 2.1 Charges for refreshments and lunch at the in-house day centres were standardised at £7.50 (£5 for lunch and £2.50 for other refreshments).
- 2.2 The table overleaf provides information on the work undertaken to date in each of the day centres and the planned work in each of the day centres. The costs include all transport, property, running and maintenance, and utility costs.
- 2.3 Day care services for older people are not regulated and there are no minimum standards. Therefore it is not possible to provide accurate information on the settings' service capacities.

Day Service	Actions Taken and Planned	2017/18 Costs (approx.)	2018/19 Projected Service Cost	2019/20 Projected Service Cost
Tanat Valley Day Centre, Llangynog	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provider = Royal Voluntary Service</li> <li>Agreement to change from contracted service to grant enabling flexibility in meeting requirements of the SSWBA and address loneliness and extend the service from an attendance of 12 to 15.</li> </ul>	£11,900	£11,900	£11,900
Ann Holloway Day Centre, Welshpool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provider = Welshpool Town Council (£75k)</li> <li>Block purchases contracted to March 2025, plus transport (£46k)</li> </ul>	£111,640	£111,640	£111,640
Machynlleth Day Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provider = Crossroads.</li> <li>Contracted until March 2020</li> </ul>	£75,000	£75,000	£75,000
Park Day Centre, Newtown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working through options of co-locating with the library service; tendering the service; or to include in longer term regional hub development.</li> <li>Meals on Wheels stopped, reduced spend - £13,580</li> <li>Consideration of meals being purchased externally</li> <li>Open 5 days per week with 53 attendees.</li> </ul>	£254,400	£240,820	Pending architect report £240,820
Bethshan Dementia Day Centre, Newtown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provider = Bethshan, plus transport costs.</li> <li>Specialist dementia service contract until 03/2020</li> </ul>	£55,680	£55,680	£56,680
Maes y Wennol Day Centre, Llanidloes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Day service included as an option for inclusion in wider residential care home tender</li> <li>Town Council contribute £12k annually.</li> <li>Open 5 days per week with 41 attendees.</li> </ul>	£199,720	£199,720	Pending care home tender £199,720
Arlais Day Centre, Llandrindod	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce to 3 days per week with 25 attendees</li> <li>Service being moved to refurbished area of sheltered scheme, Lant Avenue.</li> <li>Reduced costs in 2019/20 by £17k</li> <li>Food provision is purchased and transported from an external provider, reducing spend by £39,030</li> </ul>	£199,270	£160,240	£143,240

East Radnor Day Centre, Presteigne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provider = East Radnor Day Centre</li> <li>• Contracted until March 2020</li> <li>• Funding reduced by £22,478</li> <li>• Pilot site for Home Based Support</li> </ul>	£122,478	£100,000	£100,000
Arosfa Day Centre, Brecon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduced numbers of attendees – consideration of reducing to 3 days per week reducing spend to £21,860. Food provision purchased from external provider, reducing spend by £41,480</li> <li>• 37 attendees per week</li> </ul>	£230,510	£189,030	£167,170
Maes y Ffynnon Day Centre, Crickhowell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous tendering unsuccessful</li> <li>• Stakeholder meetings ongoing – potential to transport for service users to attend at Brecon</li> <li>• Possibility of supporting different club provision</li> <li>• Potential saving = £55k - £20k (lunch club) = £35k</li> <li>• 16 attendees per week</li> </ul>	£117,550	£117,550	£82,570.00
Canolfan Day Centre, Ystradgynlais	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduced number of attendees (14 per week) leading to planned reduced provision from 5 days to 2 days per week with saving of £35,100</li> <li>• Consideration of new venue within the community</li> <li>• Closure of kitchen resulted in a savings of £34,480</li> </ul>	£196,740	£162,260	£127,160
Increased income from standardised meal charges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charges for refreshments and lunch at the in-house day centres were standardised at £7.50 (£5 for lunch and £2.50 of other refreshments). This has mitigated increase in expenditure costs in relation to increase in costs of meal provisions.</li> </ul>		£-27,785	0
Review of Cleaning Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of cleaning costs across all day centres resulted in an annual saving of £8,815</li> </ul>		£-8,815	0
<b>Total In-house Costs</b>		<b>£1,198,190</b>	<b>£1,069,620</b>	<b>£952,680</b>
<b>Total Third Sector Costs</b>		<b>£376,698</b>	<b>£ 354,220</b>	<b>£362,220</b>
<b>Total Costs</b>		<b>£1,574,888</b>	<b>£1,423,840</b>	<b>£1,314,900</b>

2.4 The above proposed future changes could result in the buildings at Arlais (Llandrindod), Park (Newtown), and possibly Canolfan (Ystradgynlais) becoming surplus to requirements.

2.5 The day care service' cost will be reduced from £1,611k to £1,314k. A reduction of £297k. It is intended to review the service further as the numbers of attendees change and different options are being explored.

- 2.6 Review of management requirements to be undertaken to ensure the structure is fit for purpose.
- 2.7 These reviews are undertaken in the wider context of the Community Connectors service, the Befriending service, and the Home Based Support pilots being shown to be effective in supporting people to enjoy community social interaction.

#### **4. Preferred Choice and Reasons**

- 4.1 It is recognised that daytime activities provide a cost effective means of meeting people's eligible social care needs and provides respite for informal carers. Not providing respite for carers can result in relationship breakdown and an increase in the possibility of residential care placements which are more costly and provides less positive outcomes for individuals.
- 4.2 To continue to develop the day services for older people so that they are efficient, effective and economical in the longer term, in order to provide and commission an appropriate mix of day time activities that support older people who are assessed to be in need of support and carers who are assessed to be in need of respite.

#### **5. Impact Assessment**

- 5.1 Not required. This was undertaken at the time of the original report.

#### **6. Corporate Improvement Plan**

- 6.1 The provision of daytime care services supports Vision 2025 and the Health and Care Strategy in providing care and support to service users in their communities, enabling them to live at home and supporting unpaid carers by providing essential respite.

#### **7. Local Member(s)**

- 7.1 As the work has been undertaken the Head of Service has met with Local Members and Town / Community Councils as appropriate.

#### **8. Other Front Line Services**

Does the recommendation impact on other services run by the Council or on behalf of the Council?

No, however, work undertaken to date has included Transport, Property, and Catering & Cleaning.

Library Service: The Library service is very pleased to work with Adult Social Care to transform day time activities in the Newtown area. The service asks that consideration be given to the financial agreement model around the developments at Newtown library, in order to make integrated delivery sustainable for the longer term.

#### **9. Communications**

Have Communications seen a copy of this report? Yes

#### **10. Support Services (Legal, Finance, Corporate Property, HR, ICT, Business Services)**

- 10.1 Legal: The contents of the report are noted.

- 10.2 Finance: The Finance Manager notes the content of the report and can confirm that the savings delivered to date are £188k and will continue to support the service to deliver the anticipated savings of £117k, before the Architects report and further business cases developed.
- 10.3 Corporate Property: The Lead Professional Strategic Property notes the contents of the report. It appears that buildings are going to become surplus as a result and we have requested that the service completes intention to declare surplus forms as soon as possible to enable the property team to plan ahead and to avoid opportunities being lost.
- 10.4 HR: no comment received.

#### 11. **Scrutiny**

Scrutiny considered the report and comments and amendments incorporated.

#### 13. **Statutory Officers**

- 13.1 The Head of Financial Services (Deputy Section 151 Officer) notes the comments of the Finance Manager, the revenue savings and the potential capital receipts both support the Medium Term Financial Strategy.
- 13.2 The Solicitor to the Council (Monitoring Officer) commented as follows : “ I note the legal comments and have nothing to add to the report.”

#### 14. **Members' Interests**

The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If Members have an interest they should declare it at the start of the meeting and complete the relevant notification form.

<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Reason for Recommendation:</b>
<b>Cabinet are asked to note the contents of the report.</b>	<b>This report is for information and enables the development work to continue.</b>

<b>Relevant Policy (ies):</b>	Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014.		
<b>Within Policy:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Within Budget:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

<b>Person(s) To Implement Decision:</b>	<b>Dylan Owen</b>
<b>Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:</b>	<b>April 2019</b>

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**Background Papers used to prepare Report: Cabinet Executive Report 20 December 2016 – Review of Day Time Activities for Older People (including Day Centres)**