# Impact Assessment

# Moving with dignity approach



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Impact Assessments (IA) are a process of assessing how our proposals and decisions might impact upon different types of people and communities and developing proposals in line with relevant legislation.

This is a legal requirement, and ensures the Council considers key legislation, including Equalities, Welsh language, Future Generations, Socio-economic Duty and Risk when developing proposals.

It will also help the Council make the best possible decisions for the people of Powys.

## 1. Proposal Information

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Head of service	Michael Gray, Head of Adult Services
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Proposal title	Moving with dignity approach
Description of proposal	Through our moving with dignity approach, reduce the number of double handed care packages, thereby reducing cost of those care packages.

## 2. Savings and Consultation requirements

#### **Profile of savings delivery**

2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026+	Total savings
£0	£400,000	£0	£0	£0	£0	£400,000

#### **Further information**

There is well established evidence that an investment in occupational therapy resource can deliver significant returns in terms of both cost savings, and cost avoidance, if OTs are used to review new and existing double handed care packages. The proposal has the added benefit of releasing care capacity. This extra capacity can then be used in a more targeted way, which will assist with our ongoing efforts of transferring people from hospital in a timely manner.

#### **Consultation requirements**

Consultation required?	No
Justification	Strengths based care and support planning and reviews are aligned with the Social Services and Wellbeing Act.

# 3. Impact on other service areas, geographical areas and data protection



## 3a. Impact on other service areas

## 3b. Impact on geographical locations

The entire county

## 3c. Data protection impact assessment

Will the proposal involve processing the personal details of individuals?	Yes
Is Powys County Council the data controller?	Yes
Further information	

## 4. Impact on Vision 2025

## 4a. The economy

Impact	None

#### 4b. Health and care



Impact	We believe that reducing the number of carers going into a person's home to assist with personal tasks makes for more consistent care, greater privacy for our residents and more personal one-to-one relationships with fewer carers.  A recent report from the Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT) demonstrates that funding occupational therapy services delivers a significant return on investment. There is a wealth of evidence that shows that Councils can achieve savings by making greater use of occupational therapy to personalise packages of care.  The initiative directly contributes to our Vision 2025 Corporate
	Improvement Plan, and in particular our Health and Care theme, by ensuring that we work in a strengths-based way to promote independence and self-care wherever possible.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

## 4c. Learning and skills

In	pact	None

## 4d. Residents and communities

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#### 4e. Evidence



A recent report from the Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT) demonstrates that funding occupational therapy services delivers a significant return on investment. There is a wealth of evidence that shows that Councils can achieve savings by making greater use of occupational therapy to personalise packages of care. To provide two examples:

Devon County Council have adopted this approach and achieved annual savings of £472,301; cost avoidance of £178,500 and a saving of 239 hours of care costs.

Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council, based on 18 months' worth of reviews, have achieved £621K savings up to March 2019, and £215K of cost avoidance within the same period.

# 5. Impact on well-being goals including Welsh language and equalities

#### 5a. A prosperous Wales

Impact	If there is a reduction in the level of care required, whilst ensuring that eligible needs are still met, there may be a corresponding reduction in worker travel across the County which will have a positive impact on the Council's carbon footprint.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

#### 5b. A resilient Wales

Impact	If there is a reduction in the level of care required, whilst ensuring that eligible needs are still met, there may be a corresponding reduction in worker travel across the County which will have a positive impact on the Council's carbon footprint.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good



#### 5c. A healthier Wales

Impact	The moving with dignity approach is a strengths based approach that looks at what people can do for themselves, and how aids and adaptations can be used where appropriate to make sure that the level of care provided is sufficient and proportionate.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

#### 5d. A Wales of cohesive communities

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## 5e. A globally responsible Wales

Impact	The dignity with care approach is a strengths based approach that looks at what people can do for themselves, and how aids and adaptations can be used where appropriate to make sure that the level of care provided is sufficient and proportionate. This creates the conditions for people to live in dignity and achieve their full potential.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

## 5f. A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

**Using Welsh** 

Impact	None
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**Promoting Welsh** 



Impact	Residents will be supported by Welsh speaking professionals in line with the Active Offer.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Not specified

#### **Sports, Art & Recreation**

Impact	None			
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## 5g. A more equal Wales

## Age

Impact	We believe that reducing the number of carers going into a person's home to assist with personal tasks makes for more consistent care, greater privacy for our residents and more personal one-to-one relationships with
	fewer carers.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

## Disability

Impact	We believe that reducing the number of carers going into a person's home to assist with personal tasks makes for more consistent care, greater privacy for our residents and more personal one-to-one relationships with fewer carers.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

## **Gender Reassignment**



Impact None

**Marriage or Civil Partnership** 

Impact None

Race

Impact None

**Religion or Belief** 

Impact None

Sex

Impact None

**Sexual Orientation** 

Impact None

**Pregnancy and Maternity** 

Impact None

**Socio-economic Duty** 

Impact None

5h. Evidence



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## 6. Impact on key guiding principles & workforce

#### 6a. Sustainable development principles

#### Long-term

Impact	Providing proportionate levels of care that meet eligible needs is aligned to the vision of the service. The approach enables us to work alongside people to have a care and support plan with a focus on achieving the maximum possible independence (as is realistic and possible for their individual circumstances) and delivers the desired outcomes.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

#### Collaboration

Impact	The moving with dignity approach relies on practitioners working alongside people receiving care and providers to ensure care provided is proportionate and sufficient.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.



#### **Involvement (including Communication and Engagement)**

Impact None
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#### **Prevention**

Impact	There is a wealth of evidence that shows that Councils can achieve savings by making greater use of occupational therapy to personalise packages of care. The initiative directly contributes to our Vision 2025 Corporate Improvement Plan, and in particular our Health and Care theme, by ensuring that we work in a strengths-based way to promote independence and self-care wherever possible.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

#### Integration

Impact	The moving with dignity approach relies on practitioners working alongside people receiving care and providers to ensure care provided is proportionate and sufficient.
Impact rating	Good
Mitigation	Ensure that occupational therapists are involved in right-sizing all proposed care packages and to be part of reviews as and when appropriate.
Mitigated impact rating	Good

## 6b. Impact on the workforce

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## 6c. Impact on payroll

Impact None
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#### 6d. Welsh language impact on staff

Impact None
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#### 6e. Impact on apprenticeships

Impact	None

#### 6f. Evidence

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#### 7. Likelihood and risks

No risks documented

#### 8. Overall summary and judgement

#### **Outline assessment**

The moving with dignity approach is a strengths based approach that looks at what people can do for themselves, and how aids and adaptations can be used where appropriate to make sure that the level of care provided is sufficient and proportionate. The approach is aligned with our strengths based way of working, and our ongoing work to determine the most cost effective means of meeting eligible needs.

**Cabinet reference** 

#### 9. Additional evidence



# 10. Ongoing monitoring arrangements and governance

## **Monitoring arrangements**

Domiciliary care steering group

Finance saving tracker meetings

**Review date** 07/01/2022

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