Council – 22nd October 2013

Recommendation from Cabinet 8th October 2013

Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held at 2.00 pm. on 8th October 2013

Present:

Cabinet Members:	Councillor Townshend (Deputy Chair) Councillor Duggins Councillor Gannon Councillor Gingell Councillor Kershaw Councillor Lancaster Councillor Ruane
Non-voting Opposition Members:	Councillor Blundell
Other Members:	Councillors Fletcher, Thomas, Skipper
Employees (by Directorate):	
Chief Executive's:	M Reeves (Chief Executive), V. Castree, J Moore
People:	S Brake, M Godfrey, T Pinks
Place	M Yardley (Executive Director), R Moon, D Cockroft, S Weir
Resources	C West (Executive Director), H Lynch, H. Peacocke, M Salmon, A West
Apologies:	Councillors Andrews, Caan, Hetherton, Innes, Kelly, Lucas and McNicholas

Public business

RECOMMENDATION

68. Caring for our future – Consultation on Reforming What and How People Pay for their Care and Support – Consultation Response

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director, People, that detailed the City Council's response to a Department of Health (DH) consultation on reforming what and how people paid for their care and support. The Cabinet also considered a Briefing Note of the Executive Director, People, detailing the recommendations and comments made by the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Board (5) following consideration of the report at their meeting on 25th September 2013 (their minute

17/13 refers.)

The Department of Health published the 'Caring for our future: reforming care and support' White Paper in July 2012 and in February 2013 the Government announced reforms to give more certainty and peace of mind over the costs of old age, or of living with a disability and committed to reforming the funding of care and support. The proposals represented the biggest changes in adult social care since 1948 and would affect Local Authorities, Health partners and providers of care and support and covered issues including assessment of care, how this care was met, how this care was paid for, the impact of the reforms on the care market and the required changes to local authorities to deliver this change.

The proposals were welcomed as a significant step forward in improving and simplifying the charging framework for adult social care, with the introduction of a standardised approach across all settings providing the local authority and the public with much needed clarification.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet recommends that the Council approves the consultation response.

(Meeting finished at 2.35 p.m.)