

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

OVERVIEW BOARD

2ND FEBRUARY 2010

OLDER PEOPLE TASK GROUP

Responsible Portfolio Holder	Councillor Mrs. M. A. Sherrey JP
Responsible Head of Service for Overview and Scrutiny	Claire Felton – Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services
Task Group Chairman	Councillor Mrs. M. Bunker

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 To consider the findings and recommendations contained within the attached report relating to the overview investigation undertaken by the Older People Task Group.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are requested to:
- (a) consider and approve the attached report and the recommendations contained within it; and
 - (b) submit the attached report to the Cabinet for approval.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the Meeting of the Overview Board on 3rd February 2009, it was decided a Task Group would be established to scrutinise issues relating to older people and that Councillor Mrs. M. Bunker would be appointed as Chairman.
- 3.2 The full terms of reference were approved by the Overview Board at its meeting held on 3rd March 2009 when membership of the Task Group was also agreed. The full terms of reference are attached at **Appendix A**.
- 3.3 At the Meeting of the Overview Board on 22nd June 2009, an additional Task Group member was agreed, Councillor S. R. Colella.
- 3.4 The Assistant Chief Executive and Task Group Chairman presented the 'draft' recommendations to the Older Peoples Forum meeting on 8th December 2009 and the Equality and Diversity Forum meeting on 10th December 2009 for comment.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The recommendations supporting an Ageing Well Scheme and an Older Person's Services Directory both have revenue funding implications. Since the Task Group agreed its report, the recommendations for the necessary funding in respect of these items were approved by the full Council on 20th January 2010 as part of the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2010/11 -2012/13.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no legal implications relating to this report.

6. COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

- 6.1 This report links to the Council's Objectives of Sense of Community and Well Being and Regeneration and the Priorities in relation to Town Centre and Housing.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT INCLUDING HEALTH AND SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

- 7.1 The risk of not implementing the recommendations contained within the attached overview report is that this Council does not continue to improve the services for older people and in particular, customer service standards.

8. CUSTOMER IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 If the recommendations were approved and implemented, residents living in Bromsgrove District would benefit from improved customer service, which would have an emphasis on customer satisfaction.

9. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no implications directly relating to this report for the Council's Equalities and Diversity Policies.

10. VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 There are no value for money implications directly relating to this report.

11. CLIMATE CHANGE AND CARBON IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 None

12. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Procurement Issues – None
Personnel – None
Governance/Performance Management – None
Community Safety including Section 17 of Crime and Disorder Act 1998 None
Policy – None
Biodiversity – None

13. OTHERS CONSULTED ON THE REPORT

Portfolio Holder	Yes
Chief Executive	Yes
Executive Director (Partnerships and Projects)	No
Executive Director (Services)	No
Assistant Chief Executive	Yes
Head of Service	Yes
Head of Financial Services	Yes
Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services	Yes
Head of Organisational Development & HR	Yes
Corporate Procurement Team	No
Head of Street Scene and Community Services	Yes

14. WARDS AFFECTED

All Wards.

15. APPENDICES

Appendix A Terms of Reference for the Task Group
Appendix B Older People Task Group Report

16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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