DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK AND HEALTH COMMITTEE - 26TH OCTOBER 2009

REPORT ON: CLOSURE OF CAMPERDOWN CARE HOME

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

REPORT NO: 506 - 2009

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise elected members of the outcome and implications of Four Seasons Healthcare's decision to close Camperdown Care Home.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Social Work and Health Committee:

- 2.2 Notes the content of this report
- 2.3 Notes the financial implications.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 Additional revenue costs for care and support for some individuals will arise during financial year 09/10 will be managed within the existing Social Work revenue budget.
- Further financial pressures which will arise once individuals within interim placements are able to move to permanent arrangements will be factored into future financial planning arrangements and this will be subject to a further report to committee.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 Four Seasons Healthcare made the decision to close Camperdown Care Home and voluntarily cancelled their registration with the Care Commission. This decision was made following an improvement notice served by the Care Commission which concluded that they were not satisfied with the improvements evidenced at the end of the four month notice period. The Care Commission accepted the voluntary cancellation and extended the improvement notice by 90 days to allow the change process to be managed.
- 4.2 A project team was set up, led by a Social Work Service Manager, involving a multidisciplinary group of staff. Eight social work and health professionals were identified to carry out the needs assessments and manage the change process for service users. The full needs assessments outlined a variety of outcomes for individuals and different models of care ranging from nursing home to housing. Some people required to move to interim placements whilst local housing supports are being developed.
- 4.3 There were issues of capacity for most service users, however, they were involved in the assessment process as appropriate to their individual abilities. Carers were involved in the assessment process and in a series of group communication briefings and individual support sessions.

- Individuals have settled well in their new homes. There are some indications that for some individuals a move has resulted in improved communication and functioning. Carers have expressed satisfaction with the outcome of the process. Individuals' needs will continue to be reviewed on an ongoing basis. Care management input will be in place for individuals who are temporarily placed with nursing homes and will move to accommodation with support in the community at a later date.
- 4.5 The following is a summary of the outcome of the change process for service users:

Camperdown Placements	
Permanent Nursing Home Placement	16
Permanent Tenancy	2
Interim Nursing Home Placement pending development of accommodation with support	10
Total Placements	28

4.6 Camperdown Care Home closed on 25th July 2009.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and the Director of Finance have been consulted in preparation of this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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DATE: 16th October 2009