

# DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

**REPORT TO:** SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE – 18 September 2000  
**REPORT ON:** REVIEW OF JOINT COMMUNITY CARE PLAN 2000  
**REPORT BY:** DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK  
**REPORT NO:** 582-2000

## 1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The report informs members about the 2000 review of the 1997-2000 Joint Community Care Plan, updates the plan and makes changes where appropriate.

## 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Social Work Committee:-

- 2.1 Notes and approves the content of this report.
- 2.2 Instructs the Director of Social Work to inform the Community Care Division of the Scottish Executive of the content of the review.
- 2.3 Instructs the Director of Social Work to make the review of the Joint Community Care Plan publicly available.

## 3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

## 4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

The review of the Joint Community Care Plan is part of the process of involving citizens in the planning and delivery of services. It is based on the provision of services in homely settings.

## 5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Access to the review of the Joint Community Care Plan is available to all, whether users of services, carers or their representatives. The review can be made available in large type and Braille.

## 6.0 MAIN TEXT

- 6.1 The local authority has a statutory responsibility for the preparation and review of the Joint Community Care Plan in consultation with others. The Community Care Plan and the review are joint documents between Social Work and Housing Department and Tayside Health Board.

- 6.2 Local authorities, including this council, which produced a three year plan for 1997-2000 were asked to develop and extend that plan by identifying new policy directions or shifts and reflect these in a review. A new three year plan for 2001-2004 will be produced next year.

- 6.3 Scottish Executive Circular CCD3/2000 extends the Community Care Planning guidance principally contained within Circular SWSG 14/94 on the content of Community Care issues.
- 6.4 The circular identifies some additional information which is needed to monitor the implementation of Modernising Community Care: An Action Plan and the Carers Strategy.
- 6.5 Guidance from the Community Care Division has been taken into account in the preparation of the 2000 draft review. Copies of the review are available in the members' lounge. This report highlights just some of the significant achievements contained within the review.
- a strategic action plan for carers in Dundee has been produced for the first time;
  - a short breaks/respice care forum has been established;
  - a successful 'listening' event for older people took place which has led to the development of Dundee CAN (Celebrate Age Network);
  - extension of the Health and Social Care Partnership – a joint nursing and social care service for older people;
  - implementation of the recommendations from the Older People Working Group – continuing the shift in the balance of care from residential to caring for people at home;
  - integrated day care services for people with dementia has been developed in partnership with Alzheimers Scotland and Tayside Primary Care NHS Trust at *Menziesshill*;
  - a strategic review of day services for people with learning disabilities has been completed, reported to the Social Work Committee and recommendations are now being implemented;
  - 'Little Wing' – a mental health users forum has been supported and funded;
  - the 'Zone', a joint health and social work project for the training and rehabilitation of drug users was launched by the Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning. The Zone attracted major funding from the New Futures Fund;
  - a Dundee alcohol and drug development officer was appointed to co-ordinate the strategic planning across all agencies;
  - a joint health/social work assessment system for drug and alcohol services has been developed;
  - the Wishart Centre is now in its new premises;
  - a research project was undertaken to identify unmet needs of women from minority ethnic communities.

**7.0 CONSULTATION**

7.1 The review of the Community Care Plan has been subject of consultation with the Director of Housing, Tayside Health Board, the NHS Trusts, independent sector, voluntary organisations and service user and carer groups.

**8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

**9.0 SIGNATURE**

Director of Social Work .....  
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