

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE - 17 JANUARY 2005

REPORT ON: DAY CENTRE RESOURCE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

REPORT NO: 28 - 2005

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval for the establishment of a restructured Day Centre resource for older people. The resource will replace the services currently delivered in Wellgate Day Centre and Menzieshill Day Centre and will become operational in February 2005.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Social Work Committee approves:-

2.1 the proposed remit for the new day service as detailed in paragraph 6.2.

2.2 the proposed revenue budget.

2.3 It is recommended the Assistant Chief Executive (Management) be instructed to bring forward a report on staffing implications to an early meeting of the Personnel Committee.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The total cost of the proposals outlined in the report will be £814,015 in a full financial year. This includes the additional annual cost of £22,000 for the extended partnership with Alzheimer Scotland. The proposals will be fully funded from the existing Older People Day Centre revenue budget (Appendix 1)

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The day centre will provide an enhanced service for the city's vulnerable older people. It will provide respite for carers.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The establishment of the resource for older people outlined in this report will ensure individuals with a variety of additional needs will have access to appropriate supports.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 A report was approved by the Social Work Committee in October 2003 (Report Number 617-2003) to construct a new Day Centre on the site previously occupied by Ancrum House Residential Home for Older People. The building has been designed to incorporate a number of dementia friendly features, as advised by the Iris Murdoch Centre, Stirling University, and will create a stimulating and safe purpose built environment in which to

deliver a day service to older people with a range of needs. It is anticipated the building will be completed by February 2005.

6.2 The new centre will provide a service for older people who have needs associated with physical frailty, dementia or functional mental illness. It can accommodate 40 older people per day during the week and 35 at weekends. Service users will comprise of individuals currently attending Wellgate or Menzieshill Day Centres and those referred for a day service who meet the identified service user needs profile.

6.3 The current level of need across the centre was examined and information was gathered through the Balance of care work undertaken on behalf of the Older People's Strategic Planning Group. This identified that services to provide a range of needs was required. The complement of needs to be met within the service is as follows:

Need	Mon	Tues.	Wed	Thur	Frid	Sat	Sun
High Needs Dementia	8		8	8	8		
Functional mental illness	4	4	4	4	4		
Under 65 with dementia		8				8	
Physical Frailty	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
Dementia	12	12	12	12	12	11	19
Total	40	40	40	40	40	35	35

While every effort will be made to accommodate the profile of the centre, this will accommodate the current needs on opening and a move to the new profile will take place over time.

6.4 Social Work Department are in the process of registering the new day service with the Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care as a day service for older people in the above stated categories of additional need. Notice to cease operation of the Wellgate Day Centre and Menzieshill Day Centre has been given and will come into effect at the opening of the new Centre.

6.5 The service will operate extended opening hours between 8.30 am - 7 pm Monday to Friday and 8.30 am - 5 pm on Saturdays and Sundays. This will increase the options available for older people in accordance with their need.

6.6 A consultation programme to inform staff, service users and carers has been developed and is in the process of implementation.

7.0 Service Users

7.1 A person centred approach to programme/care planning will ensure the service delivered is tailored to individual requirements. The structure of the new building will lend itself to a structured programme of activities, which will enable older people to maintain their skills while providing a stimulating and social environment.

7.2 All service users and carers were consulted on the development of the new service and were keen to move to the new establishment. It is anticipated at this time that all current service users wishing to attend the new service will be able to attend.

- 7.3 While some of the existing service users may not meet the profile of the new service it is anticipated that we will meet this over time.

7.4 Transport will be provided to those accessing the new centre resource, if required.

8.0 Partnership Working

8.1 The Social Work Department will continue the partnership arrangements with Alzheimer Scotland, which currently exists within Wellgate and Menzieshill Day centres. Alzheimer Scotland will provide targeted group work with service users who have high level dementia care needs across four days. In addition a new service for adults with early onset dementia will be developed by Alzheimer Scotland on two days.

8.2 Staffing for these resources will comprise of staff employed by Alzheimer Scotland and Social Work Department. This will ensure a staff team with a broad range of knowledge, skill and experience, which will meet the range and profile of need, which will exist in the new centre.

8.3 Costs for the increase in service will be met from the closure of the two existing services.

8.4 Joint protocols have been developed which set out the procedures for management responsibility and accountability between the two service providers.

9.0 Staffing

9.1 Social Work Department staff from the existing staff establishment of Wellgate and Menzieshill Day Centres will be integrated into the new service. It is anticipated the staff complement will reduce from the existing numbers ie 28.28 WTE and 228 manual worker hours to 26 WTE and 167 manual worker hours.

9.2 The appropriate staff trade unions have been fully consulted throughout.

9.3 Staff have been consulted on the transfer to the new service and are in the process of agreeing their future employment. It is anticipated that all relevant staff can be matched into the new service.

9.4 All staff will have access to a comprehensive induction and training programme, based on service user requirements, prior to and in the early stages of the commencement of the service.

10.0 CONSULTATION

10.1 The Chief Executive, the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and Assistant Chief Executive (Management) have been consulted during the preparation of this report.

11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

Alan G Baird
Director of Social Work

Date: 10 January 2005

Appendix 1

COST OF RESTRUCTURED DAY CENTRE

Post	FTE	Hours	SCP	Full Year £
Manager	1.0		37	32,670
Senior SCO	3.0		30	81,120
SCO	21.0		23	453,180
Driver / Handyperson		37.0	MW3	13,313
Cook 3		60.0	MW3	21,589
Cook 1		20.0	MW1	6,731
Domestic		50.0	MW1	16,827
Clerical Assistant	1.0		12	16,690
TOTAL STAFF	26.0	167.0		642,120
Proposed Cost of Partnership with Alzheimer Scotland				49,670
Non-Staff Costs				122,225
Total Cost of Restructured Services				814,015
Existing Older People Day Centre Revenue Budget 2004/05				814,015