EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee received an annual report on the work of the Elmbridge Older Persons Advisory Body.

The Body meets three times a year and this report details the issues, activities discussed and actions from these meetings. The meetings in the last year have taken place on (11th July 2016, 14th November 2016 and the final meeting will take place on the 21st February 2017).

There was a wish for the annual review to come in the February as opposed to the March meeting, which means the last meeting of the municipal year. This takes place on the 21st February, as a result this report reviews the first 2 meetings and highlights what is on the agenda for the last meeting of the year.

RECOMMENDATION THAT:

(A) THE COMMITTEE REVIEWS THE ELMBRIDGE OLDER PERSONS ADVISORY BODY FOR 2016/17 AND CONSIDERS WHETHER THERE ARE ANY ISSUES / ACTIONS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE THE ELMBRIDGE OLDER PERSONS ADVISORY BODY TO CONSIDER DURING THE NEXT MUNICIPAL YEAR.

REPORT:

1. Background and context

   Introduction
   The Elmbridge Older Persons Advisory Body is a non-statutory partnership. Members include;
   ➢ Six Borough Councillors nominated on an annual basis by the Council to be Borough Council representatives
     Councillor Mary Sheldon (Chair)
     Councillor Christine Elmer
     Councillor Kim Cross
     Councillor Ruby Ahmed
     Councillor Tannia Shipley
     Councillor Mike Axton
     In addition Councillor Ruth Lyon (Portfolio Holder)
     Councillor Barry Fairbank still wished to be included in the agendas and attend meetings when he was available.
   ➢ One County Council – Councillor Ernest Mallet
- Partner Organisations
  A Surrey County Council, Surrey Police, Paragon Housing Trust, Virgin Care, Sunrise, Housing Services, Pension Service.
- Twelve voluntary sector organisations / charities providing services for older people;
  - Elmbridge West CAB
  - Esher and District CAB
  - Home Support Elmbridge
  - Whiteley Homes Trust
  - Crossroads
  - Alzheimer’s UK
  - CHEER
  - Voluntary Action Elmbridge
  - WWAG
  - Walsingham Care
  - Age UK and Carers Support Elmbridge

- Two Carers
- We have had two representatives from Centres/friends from Centres, however due to a number of Friends Committees closing down, we do not have representatives at present and we are reviewing how best we engage with Centre Reps in the future.
- Supported by Community Support Service officers

Appendix A is a copy of the current membership of the Advisory Body.

- **The aims and objectives of the Advisory Body are:**
  - To listen and to respond, recognise and involve, foster partnership and focus on specific outcomes in terms of the delivery of better services for older residents in the Borough of Elmbridge.
  - Improve public awareness of older people by better meeting the needs of, listening to their views and encouraging and recognising their contribution.
  - To receive reports from the Trustees of the Elmbridge Trust for Older People on monies left to the Trust and discuss with Trustee representatives how monies can be allocated in the future (how active the Trustees are is dependent on new monies being left to the Trust).

- **The terms of reference** acknowledge that the Advisory Body will achieve the above by:
  - Encouraging older people in the planning of services.
  - Directly receiving feedback from those engaged in Centres, Volunteers and Carers.
  - Ensuring that reports go to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on identified needs of older people, ensuring that the Elmbridge Trust for Older People is aware of any unmet need in terms of non-statutory provision being identified in the community, which is also mindful of the resources being held by the Trust at any point in time.
  - Lobbying on new and improved services to be provided either by the Borough Council, Surrey County Council and the Clinical Commissioning Groups and to respond on consultation documents.
  - Identifying areas that the Advisory Body may wish to undertake by setting up working groups to progress accordingly.
  - Identifying key themes of meetings to enable in depth study of a subject resulting in action points being made.
2. Key actions from the first Advisory Body meeting – 11th July 2016

2.1 Chairmanship

- Councillor Tannia Shipley stood down as Chair of the meeting and proposed Councillor Mary Sheldon as the new Chairman. This proposal was agreed and Councillor Tannia Shipley was elected as Vice Chair.

2.2 Actions/issues/matters arising from the previous meeting

- Bin collection calendar
  
  Previously concern was highlighted regarding the bin collection calendar which was only available on-line. Councillor Janet Turner highlighted that she has previously raised this at the Overview and Scrutiny meeting and urged other Councillors to do the same. There was general concern expressed that for many older people they do not have access to the internet and this could well mean that they were not able to access this information. As we move to ensure information is online, we do need to ensure that potentially people in their 80’s and 90’s are not missing out on being able to access this information.

- Alzheimer's Society activity in the Borough
  
  - One of the members requested an update on whether the Alzheimer’s Society had withdrawn from all local activity. Melanie Bussicott and Jezz Gibson, Dementia Services Manager had met with the Alzheimer’s Society and they had confirmed that they were withdrawing their support from all our Relief Care Services. In addition, the Alzheimer’s Society requested that we remove their logo from any literature where we had undertaken joint activities in the past. The stated reason for this withdrawal was the new contract with Surrey County Council who was only funding staff to provide 1:1 support for someone with Dementia and to no longer provide any local support groups, café’s. The Alzheimer’s Society had previously withdrawn from the café at Weybridge Centre for the Communities other activities.
  
  - Further update on the 13th January 2017. Head of Community Support Services received a letter from the Alzheimer’s Society to say they were closing all Day Care services across Surrey. The relief Carers scheme provides 11 specialist day care groups in Elmbridge so there had been no day care provided by Alzheimer’s Society in the Borough, however more recently we have agreed to take out of Borough residents on our day care service, paying a higher rate than Elmbridge residents, when a place is available and not required by anyone living within the Borough. We need, with the withdrawal of Surrey County Council funding to ensure we are optimising our resource in the best possible way. We haven’t yet taken any one out of Borough but will be taking this forward in 2017.

2.4 Key theme - Housing Update

The focus of this meeting was to hear from:

- Louise Williams, Paragon Housing Association
- Andrea Cannon, Transform Housing
- Colin Waters, Elmbridge Borough Council to receive respective updates on housing issues, potential gaps from Welfare Benefit changes and reduction in Surrey funding to Housing Support Organisations.
2.5 Paragon Housing
- Louise Williams outlined that Paragon currently had a stock of **9,000 properties which included 1100-1200 sheltered accommodation.**
  Paragon had begun a **new model of service delivery** across their sheltered housing schemes two years ago based on a floating support model. This was driven by a review following the two housing associations, namely Elmbridge Housing Trust and Richmond Housing consolidating to become Paragon Housing. The focus since then has been on a new ‘needs led’ approach to support provided within sheltered housing schemes.
- Paragon now provides a **variety of support levels.** The changes initially met with resistance from residents but Paragon have now worked hard over the last two years and have a 87% customer satisfaction rate.
- These changes resulted in a **£140k worth of savings.** If there are further cuts in funding, Paragon will be looking again at costings and re-structure. The current staffing re-structure was shared with the Advisory Body.
- Paragon is now looking to re-brand and will change the name of service from sheltered housing to **independent living,** believing that this title better reflects the service provided.
- There has also been a re-structure of approximately 1700 older people living in sheltered/independent housing. Two new support services have been introduced, firstly, a **Neighbourhood Co-ordinator** working in the community and secondly, a **tenancy solution team** which will deliver specialist support to tenants if required and this includes older people.
- Clarification was sought by the Advisory Body Members as to whether Paragon encourage some of the 1700 tenants in general housing stock to move into the independent living accommodation and whether this came under the “perfect fit” scheme. Confirmation was given that this was the case.
- Clarification was also sought as to whether there was a current surplus of sheltered/independent housing. Paragon responded by saying that they felt they had about the right balance at the current time but some of their accommodation is harder to let than others.

2.6 Transform Housing
- Andrea Cannon explained that Transform Housing had no housing stock in Elmbridge.
- A presentation was provided on the current and future challenges facing housing providers in particular in relation to changes to the benefits system. This was a comprehensive review of current activity by Transform Housing.
- Transform Housing are part of a current working group which is reporting to Government, the working group had raised a number of concerns with respect to benefit changes and the impact on residents. A discussion subsequently took place and it was acknowledged that any potential concerns should be made via local MPs.

2.7 Elmbridge Borough Council Housing
- Colin Walters gave an update outlining the 3 services provided by Elmbridge’s Housing department to support older people.
  - **Handy Person service** – providing small repairs, hand rails and ramps. This service undertook 1094 jobs last year
  - **Disabled facilities grant** – which is a large Government fund and installs adaptations in people’s homes eg a stair lift. All this work aims to minimise people’s moving into residential homes. Last year 53 installations were achieved. The Government has increased funding for DFGs in 2016/17.
HOOPS Service (Housing options for older people) This post has been funded by Personalisation, Partnership and Prevention Fund (funded by Surrey County Council) and this funding was a five year programme coming to a close in March. Housing will review how the post can possibly continue after March ’17.

Surrey County Council funding The Housing Team receives £100k from Surrey County Council which is 40% of the costs of these services. SCC has agreed not to reduce funding for this year with future funding currently being reviewed. SCC has developed an ‘accommodation with care’ strategy as SCC wants to push down the number of people going into residential care so is pushing for ‘extra care’ housing. Elmbridge Council would like ‘extra care’ housing to be available for all people regardless of income and it is an estimate that a further 600 extra care beds need to be available in the next ten years.

A discussion took place as to whether there was a dialogue with independent/sheltered housing providers. Confirmation was given that there had been no recent contact but recognised this was a way of reducing duplication.

2.8 Review of implications of Surrey grant reductions on Community Support Services

Melanie Bussicott reported that funding had been received from Surrey County Council for over 23 years, however this was the first time where significant cuts/reductions in budget were being actioned by SCC.

Elmbridge received £266k pa to support high need residents/service users. Elmbridge Borough Council is facing a £197k funding reduction from Surrey County Council over the next two years. This equates to a 25% reduction in year one (16/17) and 50% reduction in year two (17/18).

A report had been produced that went to the Cabinet meeting in July highlighting how best we could consider these significant funding reductions and maintain as much as possible our core services. In order to mitigate the impact £60k has been offered up by Personalisation, Partnership and Prevention Fund.

Community Support Services was looking to maintain existing posts but not develop any of the planned new projects.

It was noted that compared to other Borough Councils, Elmbridge has received a higher level of funding from SCC so their funding reductions were much more significant with a much greater impact. It was also acknowledged that it was impossible to implement appropriate reviews to find in year savings, as a result Elmbridge Borough Council will be covering £16k of the funding shortfall in this year.

There has been a requirement as a result to review staffing structures which has resulted in Community Support Services introducing two new Senior Manager posts, with these two posts being ring-fenced to existing Managers, so we were not looking to introduce additional staff but look at more robust structure within the existing staff system.

There was a vacancy for the Manager at the Thames Ditton Centre and it was felt more appropriate to review the structure overall and combine the Weybridge Centre and Thames Ditton Centre Manager role. This was in the light of Surrey’s significant budget reductions, but to also consider how best we could support the Thames Ditton Centre in the future.

A review has also taken place of the Relief Carers Scheme, considering a number of aspects of the service including the withdrawal of the Link Line (Support Line for Carers) which had been operating for over 11 years, withdrawal of transport for our Carers Café, withdrawal of our Walton support group. Elmbridge Borough Council would be covering £16k of the funding
shortfall for 16/17 and will conduct further reviews to manage further cuts taking place in 17/18.

- Councillor Ruth Lyon highlighted that the Government cuts will have a big impact on Council services. Surrey County Council receives money to roll out Carers assessments in 15/16 but Elmbridge has not seen any of this money. It was key to highlight to local MPs how important the range of Relief Care Services are to Carers.

- Yvonne Clark from Carers Support Elmbridge said that Carers in Elmbridge find the support received by the Relief Carers Scheme absolutely invaluable and it is the only relief they get from caring which is run through the Relief Carers Scheme by the Council

2.9. Community Support Services – 12 month review of activity

- Melanie Bussicott explained that Community Support Services had a very busy year and pointed out that the population in Elmbridge is ageing and therefore becoming increasingly frail, with the support services Elmbridge provided being absolutely key to maintain their independence. However this does mean there is a high level of change within the services due to their frailty of the people, going in and out of hospital, so cancelling Meals on Wheels etc. The oldest man in England who was supported by Community Support Services with both Meals on Wheels 7 days a week and Community Alarm Service recently passed away and was supported at home until the age of 111.

- The Meals on Wheels service at Mole Valley is continuing to go from strength to strength. We have had 30 new referrals in the last year. The age profile is similar to Elmbridge, however we are replacing clients as they leave the service, which is good as this is for a neighbouring borough and we don’t necessarily have the local networks. On a busy day we are delivering 30 meals a day and Sarah Goman-Smith, Cobham Centre Manager continues to work with the Meals on Wheel drivers to undertake promotional activity. This has been supported by Daniel Cooksley, our Information and Advice Officer. In terms of mailing out or visiting GP Practices and other key venues.

- Gail McKenzie highlighted the Hydrate with 8 Campaign which had recently taken place and had gone well. The Water Wagon (converted Community Transport vehicle) had been to public places e.g. Cobham High Street, rather than Centres for the Community and medical practices. This had been part funded by Personalisation, Partnership and Prevention budget as well as sponsorship from Walsingham Care and Walton On Thames Charity.

- The Council is working in partnership with Walton Charity launching a partnership fund to support organisations to become fit to take on challenges of the future, mindful of potential reductions in grants/budgets. Members were reminded of this fund and the appropriate link where information on the fund could be found and members were encouraged to let people know of its availability.

- It was highlighted that the Elmbridge Volunteer Award ceremony, which was a joint initiative between Community Support Services and Voluntary Action Elmbridge will be taking place on the 17th October. These were long service awards (for over 5 years of volunteering) and provided the opportunity for the Council and VAE to thank these very special volunteers.
There was also the opportunity at the end of the meeting for members to raise any issues and for us to constantly take note of the change of representatives in the Advisory Body, where new Reps may be invited and to consider items for the next agenda.

It was agreed that the next focus would be on funding to the voluntary sector Community Support Services, Paragon Housing, particularly in the light of Surrey County Council reductions in funding. Also an update on the current position/review of Community hospitals and an outline of the role of the Council Health Development Officer.

3. Key actions from the Advisory Body meeting-14th November 2016

There was an update on the current position on funding which SCC provides to Community Support Services and voluntary sector organisations:

3.1 Community Support Services

Community Support Services are having to make £197k worth of reductions for this year and next. This will impact on:
- Centres for the Community
- Meals on Wheels
- Dementia Services
- It was acknowledged that we are still not clear as to whether we would see a reduction in our Community Transport and Telecare grant in 17/18.
- It was noted that there were currently over 1700 Community Alarm and Telecare customers and it is a very significant service supporting the most vulnerable people.

3.2 Relief Carers Scheme Service review in the light of SCC’s funding reductions

Jeremy Gibson (Dementia Services Manager) said that the future is challenging and reductions in service will have to be made due to the SCC grant reductions. However we were looking to respond where we could to expanding services to meet the needs where this could be undertaken on a self-sustaining basis. As a result in June we increased our specialist groups to 11 and have plans to develop a further group in April 17.

This year the Relief Carers Scheme had received 70 new referrals. The specialist Day Care Service is offering 88 group places a week, each group consists of 8 members and 2 carers.

Our focus was on ensuring a self-sustaining service, and as a result a specific focus on specialist groups. It has been agreed that non Elmbridge residents could now access places if no Elmbridge resident required that place, however this would be at a higher rate.

The Relief Carers Scheme provides a Claygate support group, monthly Alz Café at Claygate Centre for families and the person who is cared for to come together for support and friendship and regular outings.

Due to SCC funding reductions we are no longer able to provide transport to the Carers Café. We have provided Carers with assistance in terms of linking them up with Community Car Schemes etc to aid their travel to the Centre.

Carers Support Elmbridge Yvonne Clark informed members that SCC core funded their service. However, they had just received a letter from SCC stating that they intended to award the contract to Action for Carers. This would mean a loss of local services and 9 independent charities would be losing their funding.
They had also received a further letter from SCC stating that the last quarter’s funding would not be forthcoming. SCC had not had any discussions with Carers Support Elmbridge with regards to their intentions. Yvonne highlighted that she is not privy to how Action for Carers intend to operate this service.

Councillor Ernest Mallet informed the meeting that the SCC Cabinet meeting was being held on the 22nd November and concerns would be raised at the meeting. He explained that members had not been informed or engaged in this funding decision. This decision had not gone through SCC Social Care Committee and he was concerned that such a decision had been made without engagement with them of other committees. It was also suggested that concern should be raised to his fellow County Councillor Mary Lewis.

3.3 Hoops Funding

Jayne Halstead said that the HOOPS (Housing Options for Older People) funding would cease in March 2017 as PPP funding ends. She was however happy to receive referrals until that point.

3.4 PPP Funding

Melanie Bussicott highlighted that PPP funding supports Dementia Services and the Preventative Services role would be finishing in March 17. It was acknowledged that Gail McKenzie, the Preventative Services Manager had previously been our Voluntary Sector support role and we have now incorporated both roles and would be reviewing how we best go forward in the future.

PPP funding had enabled the launch of the Community Cab Scheme as well as joint initiatives. We also funded a be-friending service, offered by CHEER and Friends of the Elderly and this is another service which is affected once PPP finishes.

There was a discussion about how residents and partners are made aware of all these service changes/service withdrawals from 2017. Melanie made a commitment to produce a letter to inform colleagues and organisations and service users where relevant, with respect to service closure.

Surrey County Council sought clarification as to whether there is a charge to the subsidised groups provided by the Relief Carers Scheme would change. Melanie said that with the withdrawal of Surrey funding we were having to increase charges accordingly, although Cabinet had been concerned in July about the impact on Carers and were looking to use Council reserves to as to delay the impact and scale up of charges to best support vulnerable residents.

Clarification was given by SCC to colleagues that Surrey would still potentially meet clients care if they had an assessed package which could be the case for the Relief Carers Scheme and the Cobham Link Project.

3.5 Update on local community hospitals

It had been hoped that the Surrey Downs Director would attend to provide an update but there had been a diary clash. However a presentation was available at the meeting. The CCG had carried out a comprehensive review of services and local hospitals. This review considered service delivery, patient activity, quality of care, national best practice, population changes and the impact of the services stopping.

A public consultation runs from January to May ‘16 to seek the views on 4 options:

- Maintain the status quo
Services transferred from the new Epsom and Ewell Community Hospital (NEECH) to Epsom Hospital
Services transferred from Molesey Hospital
Services transferred from NEECH to Epsom Hospital and from Molesey to Cobham

- Analysing car and public transport journey time they found that relocating services from Molesey Hospital to Cobham Hospital would have a negative impact on accessing care services. Travel times in Molesey would increase by 40 minutes via car, 80 minutes via public transport
- The decision had been made to continue to explore re-located services based at NEECH to Epsom and that services from Epsom and Dorking hospital stay the same. Molesey would be retained as a hospital.
- NHS property services have stated that from January 17’ work will focus on starting to develop possible options to enhance the Molesey site. Investment will be sought from either NHS property services or another funding source and a full presentation was shared with the Advisory Body.

3.6 Dementia Friendly Communities Update
- Fiona Rosevear updated on the Dementia Activity Alliance which has been organised across England to create communities of Carers and their sufferers so that they can carry out their day to day lives in supported environments. The Alliance undertakes awareness training for organisations and retail establishments. The Dementia Action Alliance have set up in Weybridge with involvement from Weybridge Town Forum, Weybridge Centre for the Community and local care homes. There was discussion as to how Elmbridge might more actively get involved in the Dementia friendly alliance and Fiona’s contact details were given as to how we might develop alliance services across the Borough.

3.7 The role of the Councils Health Development Officer
- Fiona Patterson updated on the activities offered:
  - Healthy walks - Certified volunteers involved in this activity. There are 15 walks a week and 3 or 4 cycle rides a month (walks can be 15 minutes to 3 hours)
  - Healthy Dancing
  - Exercise referral scheme – this is run from Excel Leisure Centre, Hersham Village Hall, Hersham Centre, Weybridge Centre and in the New Year Leisure Services were looking to introduce a specific falls prevention class.

- It was acknowledged that PPP funding had again supported this programme and this would need to be reviewed in the future and Fiona had linked into the Hydrate with 8 campaign and worked across Centres.

3.8 6 month monitoring report on Community Support Service activity
- Melanie reported at the meeting that there had seen a high level of growth. Services that have increased:
  - Community Discount Cards
  - High need places
  - Usage of Centres
  - Relief Care offered 1000 more specialist support group places
compared to the same period last year. Although there was a slight reduction in sitting hours as the service had focused on day care activity.

- The service had delivered 980 more Meals on Wheels than the last year.

**Services that have decreased:**

- We had seen a slight reduction in Centre lunches, however the Centres are now offering a variety of activities and Centre clients are not just attending for their midday meals.
- Transport was also reduced but this was largely due to staff sickness which we are now seeking to resolve.

- It was noted that the **Cobham Community Link** celebrated its 5th birthday party and was also looking to promote its services to new members. It was asked that members should pass on the message to anyone they had contact with about the Elmbridge Community Link service.
- It was highlighted that one of the key projects going forward was working with the CCGs to develop a **Wellbeing Prescribing service**. This would be supporting health colleagues to assist people who required non-medical support and ensured that they were aware of local community opportunities, services and activities. Daniel Cooksley, Community Support Services Information and Visiting Officer would be undertaking the wellbeing sessions at Centres for the Communities.
- The **Parkinson’s groups** at Claygate and Weybridge have gone from strength to strength. The Claygate group had been developed and Weybridge group ensured future funding sustainability with the funding support of Councillor Barry Cheyne when he was Mayor of Elmbridge. Discussions have taken place more recently around CHEER taking over the Claygate Group and Community Support Services would look to support with fundraising in the future to keep these two vital groups going and were looking at appropriate transfer arrangements.
- In terms of fundraising opportunities Councillor Ernest Mallet reminded members that County Councillors allowances could be approached for funding from their alliances and suggested that Councillor Mike Bennison could be approached for funding to support the Parkinson’s group in Claygate.

### 3.9 Community Alarm Service

- It was acknowledged that the Community Alarm Service continues to go from strength to strength with approximately 40 installations a month. We have over 1700 customers. New developments have included:
  - GPS tracking watch
  - Home based monitoring service (Canary)
  - Dementia Diary
  - Piloting new inner sole tracking that is placed in a shoe to monitor clients movements

### 3.10 The recent volunteer awards Scheme

- 41 organisations were represented and it was a very successful event.
- **Other issues**: It was highlighted that all printed materials on Council notice boards should be in the right format to read appropriately.
Carers Support Elmbridge are currently assisting 2,500 Carers in terms of who will be affected when Surrey County Council withdraw their funding.

The next agenda will include a Surrey Downs CCG update on the Molesey Hospital consultation, and an Agenda item in the light of SCC funding reductions and to update on changes in bus routes and a transport general update.

4. In Summary

The Elmbridge Older Persons Advisory Body will have met three times during the last year, two prior to this meeting. The Advisory Body has a key focus increasing knowledge on a range of services and organisations and supporting people older people in the Borough and focusing on Community Support Services and other services provided by local organisations. The Advisory Body has seen changes in its membership over the last year as representatives from organisations leave and new Reps are voted in. It is an important mechanism for increasing community knowledge.

In the last year our focus was as follows:

- Reviewing Community Support service activity and initiatives. There has been a steady growth in activity across a number of service areas which has included a high level of activity for Community Alarm and Telecare, Relief Care Services, supporting people with Dementia and more lately increases in Meals on Wheels, which has gone against recent trends and a strong activity levels across all service areas.
- There has also been the opportunity to hear about new initiatives emerging and developing such as the Wellbeing Prescribing Service and the successful joint partnership volunteer awards scheme with Voluntary Action Elmbridge.
- There have been discussions over a number of meetings on the impact of Surrey County Council reductions of Community Support Services but also on other members as well including Paragon Housing and the impact of Carers Support Elmbridge not being awarded the Carers contract by Surrey County Council.
- Significant service changes of organisations. Alzheimer’s Society withdrawing from local activity and now withdrawing day care across Surrey, Carers support groups losing their funding so it is still to be determined whether there is to be any local carers support activity in the future.
- Housing provided an overview of current housing activity and challenges with the Advisory Body having a feedback review from Surrey Downs Clinical Commissioning Group with respect to local community hospitals in particular the consultation at Molesey and to hear about changes in local bus services and how they will impact on Elmbridge.
- There has also been a focus on hearing about Community Support Services supporting older people across the borough as well as health development working by Leisure and Cultural Services or Housing Services HOOPS Scheme and hearing from Advisory Body members.
- It has been a busy year and it has been an important mechanism for increasing knowledge and raising issues as they effect older people across Elmbridge. With our ageing population coupled with significant Surrey County Council cuts in funding, it will continue to be very challenging going forward.
We will continue to look at opportunities for working in partnership and focus on how best we can meet the current and future needs of an aging population. Are there any issues that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee wish us to consider over the year ahead?

**Financial Implications:**
Within existing budget

**Environmental/Sustainability Implications:**
Considered by the Advisory Body where appropriate

**Legal implications:**
None for the purpose of this report.

**Equality Implications:**
Considered by the Advisory Body where appropriate.

**Risk Implications:**
None for the purpose of this report.

**Community Safety Implications:**
None for the purpose of this report.

**Principal Consultees:**
Strategic Director of Services.

**Background papers:**
None for the purpose of this report.

**Enclosures/Appendices:**
Appendix A – Named members of the Advisory Body / organisation they represent

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