SCRUTINY COMMITTEES – BUDGET CONSULTATION

HEALTH, SOCIAL CARE AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 11TH DECEMBER 2013

- Impact of the savings on Care in the Community and the risks associated with reducing services to such a point that safety nets and systems could fail leaving people vulnerable. The importance of maintaining networks between the different sectors was emphasised in order to safeguard the service user.
- Home Care savings supported administration and back office efficiencies as long as they did not equate to redundancy measures but did not fully support any further externalisation of the service.
- Supported the increase charges and remodelling of the Meals on Wheels service.
- Supported withdrawing the provision of staff meals from Community Support Services.
- Establishment of a Task and Finish Group to review future savings proposals was supported.
- Review eligibility criteria in line with the National Eligibility Criteria for Wales and further detail on the Health, Social Care and Wellbeing Bill was supported.
- The Scrutiny Committee having fully considered the report supported the list
 of proposed savings as detailed in Appendix B of the report subject to the
 above comments and further detail on the impact on service delivery and
 further reports to Cabinet and Council and by a show of hands this was
 unanimously agreed.