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Via email to Amanda Jupp, Cabinet Member for Adults.

Dear Amanda,

**Recommendations from Adults and Health Strategic Budget Savings
2021/22 Task & Finish Group**

On 5 November 2021, a Task and Finish Group consisting of members from the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee (HASC) considered the draft decision reports relating to residential based in-house services - Marjorie Cobby House, Selsey and Shaw Healthcare Day Services Review. Its conclusions were as follows for your consideration at the Cabinet meeting on 16 November 2021. Concern was asked to be noted by members that the Task and Finish Group met informally, and not in public.

Residential based in-house services - Marjorie Cobby House, Selsey

- Members raised concerns that closing Marjory Cobby House could lead to bed blocking in hospitals and that there was a shortage of home care staff to support this closure. They also felt that there could be a lack of expertise in residential care homes to provide reablement services. Finally, that the timing of the decision was concerning bearing in mind winter pressure on the NHS and there was not enough information in the report to make an informed decision
- Members therefore felt that this decision should be deferred for six months (and certainly after the winter period) and ahead of any final decision this item be scrutinised by HASC at a formal committee meeting

Shaw Healthcare Day Services Review

- The majority of members agreed with the proposals in the Cabinet report for the permanent closure of the Shaw Day Services, but requested that an impact report is brought to HASC at an appropriate time on this proposal if agreed by Cabinet.
- Members not supporting the proposal were concerned that due to the pandemic that this was the wrong time to end services, whether capacity in the voluntary sector was there to support alternative arrangements and that this proposal may not support the aim for people to stay in their own homes.

Please let me know if you need any further information on these conclusions. My thanks to all the members of the TFG group for the input and valued opinions.

Yours sincerely

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c.c. Cabinet Members, Keith Hinkley, Executive Director of Adults and Health