

## FALKIRK COUNCIL

**Subject: REFERRALS FROM HOUSING AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE – 6 NOVEMBER 2007**  
**Meeting: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**  
**Date: 14 November 2007**  
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AND OF HOUSING AND SOCIAL WORK SERVICES**

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The following reports were presented to the Housing and Social Services Committee on 6 November 2007 and are referred to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval. Motions and amendments are noted where appropriate.

- **CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAUX – PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS**
- **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING**

Councillor Goldie, seconded by Councillor McNeill moved the recommendations as contained within the Report.

By way of an amendment, Councillor J Constable, seconded by Councillor A MacDonald moved that consideration of the Report be continued until it had been considered by the Best Value and Audit Forum.

On a division, 7 Members voted for the motion and 5 for the amendment.

Accordingly **AGREED** to:-

- (1) note the proposal for the redesign of the posts of Training and Development Manager (Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Children and Families) and SVQ Centre Manager;
- (2) establish the Registered Managers Award/SVQ Assessor post by utilising existing and Specific Grant funding within the Social Work Training budget;
- (3) establish the Practice Learning Assessor/Co-ordinator post by utilising existing funding within the Specific Grant for Social Work Training and the income generated by the provision of social work practice learning opportunities; and
- (4) refer the report to Policy and Resources Committee for approval.

- **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT FOR SHORT-TERM RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME FOR CHILDREN: UPDATE ON CONSULTATION**

Councillor Goldie seconded by Councillor McNeill, moved the recommendations as contained within the Report.

By way of an amendment, Councillor McNally seconded by Councillor Meiklejohn moved that the recommendations as contained within the Report be deleted and replaced by the following:-

That Committee agree to carry out full community consultation including holding a public meeting to properly obtain the views of residents throughout the entire area, and that consideration be given to the preparation of a community infrastructure investment package to the same level as that in Slamannan.

On a division, 7 Members voted for the motion and 5 for the amendment.

Accordingly, **AGREED:-**

- (1) to note the outcome of the consultation that has taken place to date, involving residents in the immediate vicinity of the proposed premises in Wallace Crescent, Polmont, and
- (2) endorse the proposed development and refer the matter to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval.

- **LOOKING AFTER CHILDREN WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES – ACCOMMODATION NEEDS**

- **STRATEGIC HOUSING INVESTMENT PLAN**

## 2.0 RECOMMENDATION

### 2.1 That the Policy and Resources Committee approves the recommendations of the Housing and Social Services Committee.

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Director of Housing and Social Work Services

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