

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET MEMBER

18 JANUARY 2018

Report of the Strategic Director – Adult Care

**REFURBISHMENT OF THE GROUND FLOOR BATHROOM AT HADFIELD
ROAD SHORT BREAK SERVICE.**

ADULT CARE

1. Purpose of the Report

To seek Cabinet Member approval for the refurbishment of the ground floor bathroom at Hadfield Road at a total cost of £25,861.

2. Information and Analysis

Hadfield Road is a short break service for people with a learning disability which is located in Hadfield, High Peak. It was converted from two former Police houses into the current arrangement which offers three short term care places. Two of the bedrooms are on the first floor, these are not accessible for people with mobility difficulties due to the stairs and narrow corridors. The further bedroom is on the ground floor, this is accessible for people with mobility difficulties. Since 1 April 2017 the service has been utilised 30% of the time. There is evidence that some clients who would otherwise use the service have not been able to do so because of the limited access issues.

The ground floor bathroom at Hadfield Road has the only accessible bath, shower and toilet for anyone with mobility difficulties who use the short break service. The existing bath is over 20 years old and obsolete, the ceiling track hoist cannot be repaired and the toilet, wash hand basin, wall tiles, vinyl floor, lighting and extractor fan are all in a very poor condition.

Property Services have provided a quotation for the work which includes the supply of a specialist bath, level access shower, toilet and wash hand basin with the appropriate grab rails. Overhead ceiling track hoist, new light fittings and extractor fan. Wall tiles and anti-slip sheet vinyl floor.

Property Services have produced the scheme for the refurbishment of the bathroom in consultation with the Manager and staff at Hadfield Road.

Refurbishment would require the bathroom to be closed for approximately 6 weeks to enable the work to take place. The disruption to residents will be kept to a minimum.

3. Financial Considerations

Property Services has provided a quotation for the work and the Capital Cost of the refurbishment of the bathroom which includes a contingency of £1,000 is £25,861. This can be met from the Adult Care Capital 2014-15 Maintaining Minimum Standards Budget.

4. Social Value Considerations

The Council's short break residential units for people with a learning disability provide vital support to some of the most vulnerable people in society. In addition the services provided help to support family carers in the caring role, thus enabling people to remain living in their own family homes for as long as possible.

5. Other Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered; legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality of opportunity, and environmental, health, human resources and transport considerations.

6. Key Decision

No

7. Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decision proposed in this report?

No

8. Officer Recommendation

That Cabinet Member approves the refurbishment of the ground floor bathroom at Hadfield Road at a total cost of £25,861.

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