

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES** held on 5 August 2014 at County Hall, Matlock

PRESENT

Councillor D Allen – Cabinet Member

Also in Attendance – Councillor P J Smith

67/14 **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities held on 15 July 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

68/14 **SUPPORTING LOCAL SUBSTANCE MISUSE RECOVERY COMMUNITIES – HOPE SPRINGS RECOVERY CENTRE** Hope Springs Recovery Centre was based in Chesterfield and offered a place for recovering drug and alcohol users to engage with like-minded people in a way which supported their continued recovery. It was the only open-access facility of its kind in Derbyshire and provided a positive environment with a variety of groups and activities to meet the needs of its diverse participants.

Hope Springs Recovery Centre had started in 2013 and had obtained suitable premises with the first six months being rent free. At a meeting in July 2013, the authority had agreed to grant fund £10,000 for the subsequent rental period which ended in August 2014. A lead volunteer had been appointed for day-to-day management of the Centre, and a number of positive changes had been made which had strengthened the recovery community which was growing there. A successful application for charitable status had been achieved, and this had been backed by a Board of Trustees which had ambitious but achievable plans for the development of Hope Springs, including diversifying income streams to include applications for charitable trust funding, seeking local corporate support and the development of a sustainable social enterprise. In the meantime, a request had been received for one further year of support with rental costs for the centre. There was sufficient money allocated within the DAAT budget to support the request.

RESOLVED to approve a £12,000 grant to Hope Springs Recovery Centre to be used for rental of premises for 12 months from August 2014.

69/14 **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC RESOLVED** to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings:-

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC HAD BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING

1. To consider the exempt report of the Strategic Director – Health and Communities on Redundancy at Buxton Museum and Art Gallery (contains information relating to an employee)
2. To consider the exempt report of the Director of Public Health on Transfer of Member of Staff to South Derbyshire CCG (contains information relating to the financial and business affairs of any particular person)