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NOTICE OF MEETING

SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH & HOUSING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date & Time

Thursday, 15 October 2009 10.00 a.m.

Venue at

**Committee Room 2, Council Offices, High Street North,
DUNSTABLE, Bedfordshire LU6 1LF**

Edwina Grant
Interim Chief Executive

To: The Chairman and Members of the SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH & HOUSING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Cllrs Miss A Sparrow (Chairman), A M Turner (Vice-Chairman), Mrs J Freeman, P Freeman, Mrs R B Gammons, Mrs S A Goodchild, Ms A M W Graham, J Kane and P Rawcliffe

[Named Substitutes:

R A Baker, Dr R Egan, Mrs D B Gurney, P Hollick and B J Spurr]

All other Members of the Council - on request

***MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS
MEETING***

Note: A seminar will follow the meeting of the Committee – please see item 20 below.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive any apologies for absence and notification of any substitute members.

2. **Minutes**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2009.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive from Members any declarations of interest and the nature thereof in relation to:-

- (a) personal interests in any agenda item
- (b) personal and prejudicial interests in any agenda item
- (c) any political whip in relation to items on the agenda.

4. **Chairman's Announcements and Communications**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman and any matters of communication.

5. **Petitions**

To receive petitions in accordance with the scheme of public participation set out in Annex 2 in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution.

6. **Public Questions, Statements and Deputations**

This is an opportunity for questions, statements and deputations from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure set out in section 4 of the Council's Constitution.

7. **Disclosure of Exempt Information**

To consider proposals, if any, to deal with any item likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 prior to the exclusion of the press and public.

8. **Call-in**

To consider any matter referred to the Committee at the request of a Member under Procedure Rule 3.1 of Part D2 of the Constitution.

9. **Requested Items**

To consider any items referred to the Committee at the request of a Member under Procedure Rule 3.1 of Part D of the Constitution.

10. **Local Involvement Network (LINK)**

The Committee will receive an update from Bedfordshire LINK on local health matters influencing LINK activity as defined by the Health and Social Care Act 2001.

11. **Government Proposals for Review of Council Housing Finance**

The Committee will receive the Council's approach to reform which will provide more flexibility in finances and increase local responsibility and accountability for long term planning, asset management and for meeting the housing needs of local people.

12. **Private Sector Housing Renewal Strategy - Issues and Options Paper**

Central Bedfordshire Council has a requirement to have a strategy focusing on Private Sector Housing. The Committee will receive the Council's approach to providing a rationalised service within the legacy authorities' areas.

13. **Directorate Overview: Services to Carers**

The Committee will receive an outline presentation focusing on Central Bedfordshire Council's approach to providing services to carers.

14. **Central Bedfordshire Council and NHS Bedfordshire Joint Delivery and Spending Plan for Carers**

The Committee will receive a report reviewing the joint delivery and spending plan between Central Bedfordshire Council and NHS Bedfordshire to provide breaks and services to carers.

15. **Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Annual Report 2008/09**

The Committee will receive the annual report of the Adult Safeguarding Board for Bedfordshire.

16. **Substantial Variations and Developments of Health Services**

The Committee will receive a report suggesting a framework for discussion with local NHS bodies and the Local Involvement Network (Bedfordshire LINK) to assist in reaching an agreed definition on what constitutes "substantial" in the local context and how such consultation should be carried out.

17. **Directorate Budget Management Report**

The Committee will receive the Directorate's budget management report providing information on the budget position as at 31 July 2009. (To follow)

18. **Defining Directorate Performance Indicators**

The Committee will receive an oral update defining the performance indicators reported at the September meeting of the Committee.

19. **Revised Work Programme**

The Committee will consider the revised programme of items for 2009/2010.

20. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 5 November 2009 at Priory House, Shefford starting at 10.00am.

Note:

**MEMBERS' SEMINAR: A JOURNEY THROUGH CENTRAL
BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL'S ADULT SERVICES SYSTEM**

Members of the Committee are invited to attend a seminar to assist with their understanding of the care management and assessment process.

The seminar will follow immediately upon the conclusion of the Committee meeting and a light sandwich working lunch will be provided for Members.