JOINT MEETING OF EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBERS – LEADER'S AND DEPUTY LEADER'S PORTFOLIOS

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Members with responsibility for the Leader's and Deputy Leader's Portfolios:-

MONDAY, 25th NOVEMBER, 2013

Following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

Councillor Morris	Executive Cabinet Member - Leader
Councillor Peel	Executive Cabinet Member for Environmental Services (as deputy for Executive Cabinet Member – Deputy Leader)
Councillor Greenhalgh	Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Hayes	Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Adult Services	
Councillor Peacock	Cabinet Member
<u>Officers</u>	
Mr. S. Harriss	Chief Executive
Ms. M. Asquith	Director of Children's and Adult Services
Mr. A. Crook	Assistant Director Adult Health and Social Care
Ms. S. Johnson	Assistant Director of Finance
	and ICT
Mrs. H. Gorman	Borough Solicitor
Mr. A. Jennings	Democratic Services Manager

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The background papers and reports in relation to the following item were considered confidential as defined in paragraph 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in their exemption outweighs the public interest in their disclosure.

95. INTERMEDIATE CARE BED PROVISION AND SERVICE REBALANCE

The Director of Children's and Adult Services submitted a report which set out proposals to make improvements to an element of the health and social care system in Bolton, in order to achieve improved outcomes for service users.

The proposals in the report outlined how improvements in productivity would be delivered and aimed to redress an imbalance between services provided in people's own homes and those provided in care homes and hospital. Furthermore, the proposals were concerned with achieving improved outcomes for service users and their families/carers and did not deliver any savings.

It was explained that NHS Bolton, Bolton NHS Foundation Trust and Bolton Council had jointly undertaken a review of intermediate tier services which had resulted in the recommendations to re-design and implement a revised intermediate tier pathway within Bolton. The re-design of such services would require co-ordinated action by NHS Bolton, Bolton NHS Foundation Trust and Bolton Council.

The report also advised that the implementation of the new service model would require a service restructure and details of the proposed future staffing structure in the Authority's intermediate care beds were outlined in Appendix 2 to the report.

An Equality Impact Assessment had been undertaken and was detailed in Appendix 3 to the report.

Following a recommendation from the Cabinet Member for Adult Services, the Executive Cabinet Members APPROVED the proposals as detailed in the report for consultation purposes with trades unions, staff and stakeholders.