

**SOCIAL SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE
28 SEPTEMBER 1999**

Present: Councillors Barnard (Chairman), Bayle, Mrs Clifford, Mrs Doyle,
Miss Haydon, McCormack, Mrs Pile, Mrs Shillcock and Worrall

Apologies for absence were received from:
Councillors Mrs Sutcliffe

1. Substitute Members

The Committee noted the attendance of the following substitute members under Standing Order 38:

Councillor Mrs Pile for Councillor Mrs Sutcliffe

2. Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Sub Committee held on 8 June 1999 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. Section 28A Memorandum of Agreement (Item 1)

The Sub Committee considered a report introduced by the Director of Social Services and Housing regarding the revised Memorandum of Agreement proposed for the funding of the transfer of funds from the Health Authority to the Local Authority, in order to enable reprovision for all people with learning disabilities who are resident in long-stay hospitals within the area. The revised Memorandum of Agreement was considered and the Director answered questions thereon.

RESOLVED that the Sub Committee endorses the proposed revised Memorandum of Agreement, attached as Annexe A of the report.

4. Items Submitted for Information

The Sub Committee received and noted the following items which were submitted for information only:

Quality Protects Management Action Plan 1999-2000 Update (Item 2)

The Director of Social Services and Housing reported that there had been positive feedback on the Quality Protects Management Action Plan from the Department of Health, which had led to the request for the ministerial visit by John Hutton MP which would take place in early October. It was noted that the end of the first year of the Plan would be a useful opportunity for Members to look at the performance achieved against targets set.

Annual Report of the Transitional Area Child Protection Committee (Item 3)

It was reported that the requirement for an annual report from the Area Child Protection Committee would transfer to the Bracknell Forest Area Child Protection Committee from now on. It was hoped that the monitoring of cases through the Area Child Protection Committee's monitoring sub group would provide both qualitative and quantitative information to assure a thorough analysis of selected cases.

Charging for Nursing Care (Item 4)

The Borough Solicitor gave details of the implications of the Coughlan –v- North East Devon Area Health Authority case with regard to charging for nursing care. The Sub Committee considered the implications of the decision as detailed in the report.

Update on Inspections Carried out by the Registration and Inspection Unit (Item 5)

The Sub Committee noted the annexe to the report giving details of the inspection reports received from the Registration and Inspection Unit and noted the comments and summary of most recent or outstanding issues relating to each case. It was requested that the position regarding follow-up action to this column would be detailed in future reports.

Social Services Management Information 1999/2000 (Item 6)

The Sub Committee considered the Management Information Report for the Social Services area attached as an annexe to the report. The Director of Social Services and Housing and Assistant Director of Social Services answered questions thereon.

5. Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, members of the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the consideration of the following items, which involve the likely disclosure of exempt information under the following category of Schedule 12A of that Act:

- (4) Information relating to services provided to particular individuals (Items 7 and 8)

Items Submitted for Information Containing Exempt Information

The Sub Committee received and noted the following items containing exempt information.

Birdsgrove Nursing Home Update (Item 7)

The Sub Committee considered a position statement regarding progress made at Birdsgrove Nursing Home containing exempt information.

Bracknell Grampian Nursing Home (Item 8)

In an information report containing exempt information the Director of Social Services and Housing updated the Sub Committee on the present situation regarding Bracknell Grampian Nursing Home.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm
and concluded at 9pm

CHAIRMAN