DECISION TITLE

Past practice in assessing contributions for adult social care non residential care

DECISION DETAILS/DESCRIPTION

To consider the report of Director of People into a review of the implications of past practice in assessing contributions for adult social care non residential care and the proposed actions in response to this. This report is not for publication by virtue of category 5 (legal professional privilege) and category 3 (financial and busness affairs of the Authority) of 10.4 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules as contained in the Council's Constitution. It is not in the public interest to disclose this information because the overriding principle in relation to legal professional privilege favours maintaining openness of communication between lawyer and client as a fundamental principle in relation to the administration of justice in the UK. Such communications would only be disclosed in very limited circumstances where a strong argument in favour of release outweighed the primary principle of privilege. The release of such privileged advice would undermine the Council's ability to take timely and appropriate confidential legal advice in the future. The financial information contained in the report is not in the public interest to disclose as it would prejudice the Council's ability to meet its statutory duties in relation to Best Value if the information was released into the public domain .

PROPOSAL DETAILS FOR FORWARD PLAN					
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DECISION MAKER		Cabinet			
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DECISION DATE: 18 Mar 2014					
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