

To: HOUSING AND SOCIAL WORK SERVICES COMMITTEE		Subject: PETITION FROM RESIDENTS OF KILSYTH REGARDING THE FUTURE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL CARE SERVICES WITHIN BURNGREEN LODGE
From: HEAD OF SOCIAL WORK DEVELOPMENT		
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1. Purpose of Report / Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Committee of a petition which was received from residents of Kilsyth regarding the provision of residential care services within Burngreen Lodge.

2. Background

- 2.1 Committee was advised on 7 May 2008 that the Petition containing approximately 4,207 signatures was submitted to the Executive Director of Corporate Services on behalf of residents of Kilsyth.
- 2.2 In February 2008 Housing and Social Work Services Committee considered a report "Residential Care Homes for Older People" seeking approval for an approach which would secure future care home provision within a best value framework.
- 2.3 The above mentioned report outlined that Burngreen Lodge did not meet the standard the Council considered appropriate for its vulnerable older people, namely en-suite, single room provision. This report was remitted to the Council and agreed at its meeting on 3 April 2008.
- 2.4 In respect of alternative care home capacity, a nearby care home, Craig-en-Goyne, had developed accommodation built to the desired standard, able to support people with higher levels of need i.e. people with nursing care needs. In that context, the Council offered residents of Burngreen Lodge the opportunity to relocate to the modernised Craig-en-Goyne home in Kilsyth, or to another home of their choosing.
- 2.5 Council agreed to cease admissions and residents and families were assured that:
 - no residents would be required to move from the home unless they wished to do so, subject to individual review and in line with existing practice
 - those residents who decided to relocate to Craig-en-Goyne or another home would be given every assistance to facilitate such opportunities.

3. Implementation

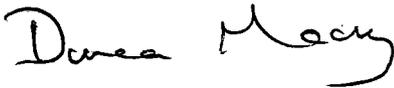
- 3.1 Staff at Burngreen Lodge have worked with individual residents and their families in a highly sensitive way to ensure that the best possible alternatives are available to residents, and that the transition to other homes is well managed. At the time of writing, 13 people have moved to other care homes; 11 people are moving to Craig-en-Goyne; 1 person is terminally ill with a poor prognosis and is being supported to remain at Burngreen; and 1 person remains undecided.

- 3.2 There are active plans to secure the future deployment of staff affected by the change.

4. Recommendations

It is recommended that Committee:

- (i) note the terms of the petition and the action taken; and
- (ii) note that the Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care will be advised of the deregistration of Burngreen Lodge in due course.



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