

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

TO: Social Work Committee	Subject:
FROM: Jim Dickie Director of Social Work	PETITIONS AGAINST CLOSURE OF SIR JOHN MANN RESIDENTIAL HOME AND DAVID ANDERSON CENTRE
DATE OF COMMITTEE: 21 April 1998	
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REF: JD/KB	

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To bring to the attention of the Social Work Department, two petitions to retain Sir John Mann Home as a residential home and to retain the David Anderson Centre as a Day Centre for people with physical disabilities.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 As part of the budget process for the financial year 1998/99 Social Work Committee and the Council have considered and accepted certain savings proposals in relation to Social Work Services. Among these proposals are items which include closure of Sir John Mann Residential Home for older people in Bellshill and the David Anderson Centre for people with physical disabilities in Bellshill.

3. PETITIONS

- 3.1 The first petition notes that those who are signing the pro forma are agreeing to the following statement :-

“We the undersigned, call on North Lanarkshire Council to retain the Sir John Mann Home as a residential home; and also to retain the David Anderson Centre.”

Approximately 4027 people have signed their names and given their addresses in support of this statement. A copy is available in the Department of Administration or the Department of Social Work for perusal.

The second petition notes that those who are signing the pro forma are agreeing to the following statement :-

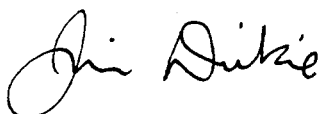
“We the undersigned strongly oppose any attempt to close the David Anderson Centre and urge North Lanarkshire Council to retain this much needed facility.”

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Approximately 217 people have signed their names and given their addresses in support of this statement. A copy is available in the Department of Administration or Social Work Department for perusal.

4. RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is asked to note the petitions and their contents.



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(8 April 1998)

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