

REPORT

To: Social Work Committee	Subject: Scheme of Delegation - Amendment
From: Director of Social Work	
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. To delegate responsibility to officers within the Social Work Department to carry out the functions contained in certain community care legislation.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Following discussion between the Director of Social Work and the Director of Administration, it is considered advisable that the delegation to officers be amended to make specific reference to the following legislation:-

Section 22 of the National Assistance Act 1948 and subsequent legislation (which deals with assessment of income and capital)

Section 87 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 (which deals with the Council making charges for persons in care)

Section 21 of the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudication Act 1983 (which deals with the issue of deliberate deprivation of capital before going into and while in care).

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. It is proposed that the following delegations be added:-

Within the Department of Social Work, the

Director of Social Work
Heads of Service, and
Area Managers

be authorised after consultation with the Director of Administration or one of his authorised Heads of Service to carry out the functions of the Council arising from and in terms of:-

- (a) Section 22 of the National Assistance Act 1948 and subsequent legislation
- (b) Section 87 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968
- (c) Section 21 of the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudication Act 1983.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1. Committee is asked to approve the amendment to the Scheme of Delegation as outlined in 3.1.



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