

Report for: Adults and Health Overview & Scrutiny on 16th April 2013	Item Number:	-
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Title: Personalisation and Personal Budgets – Summary Briefing Note

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Ward(s) affected: All Report for : Non Key Decisions:

1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 The aim of Personalised Care is to give greater choice and control to a vulnerable person in need of care and support. Personalisation is the term used to describe a new way of delivering support to vulnerable adults. Personalisation recognises the individual as the expert about their own situation and what services/activities will best help them ameliorate their support needs. A key component of the Personalisation agenda is the provision of excellent advice, information and signposting to services in order that people can help themselves to improve their circumstances. Personalisation is much greater than the financial resources the Council makes available to its residents with eligible needs, resources hitherto referred to as personal budgets. Personalisation seeks to mobilise all the resources of the community to support vulnerable adults, (Libraries, Adult Education, Sports and Leisure Services, Volunteering etc).
- 1.2 Personal budgets can provide or commission or make cash payment in lieu of services to meet eligible needs. The Council can make cash payments in lieu of services directly to people or their carers or can make payments to third parties to use or manage services on behalf of an eligible person or their carer.