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Annwyl / Dear Mary

**Community & Adult Scrutiny Committee - 16 September - Local Ageing
Well Plan & Older People's Housing Strategy**

Thank you for your letter of the 17th September 2015, I am glad that the Members found the discussion useful and we welcome your observations and recommendations.

As stated, the Local Ageing Well Delivery Plan is a working document. I have spoken with Councillor De'Ath and on the whole we agree with comments from the committee, which will inform future changes to this document. As the Older Person's Commissioner for Wales has requested that our Plan is published by the end of October, Cllr De'Ath's intention in the short term is to action the suggestion made at the meeting about amending the names of officers responsible for completing actions to job titles, then publish the Plan.

To do justice to the other suggestions made at the meeting his intention is to address these over the next two months, and to take a revised draft of the Ageing Well Delivery Plan to Cabinet in March 2016 at the same time as our Strategic Equality Plan 2016/20 is presented to Cabinet. This will afford time to engage all relevant stakeholders.

I am glad that the Committee can see the amount of change that is taking place within Adult Social Care at the moment, in relation to both the budgetary and service delivery challenges. I hope that not only will this committee be kept informed but will provide a key role as a critical friend while we undergo these significant changes.

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With this in mind, I would be pleased to present, at the November Scrutiny, Andrew Cousins' report and crucially how we have started to address the findings of this report and set out the future direction in Cardiff. At the same meeting it will also be timely to bring for pre-Cabinet scrutiny the new Day Opportunities Strategy. The new strategy exemplifies how we use the evidence base to develop strategies to meet the needs of the individual and their carers.

Your comments in relation to the Older People's Housing Strategy have been actioned, with housing and planning officers meeting to take this forward. In addition, officers have written to all known developers of private older persons housing and are awaiting their feedback. A report back to the Scrutiny Committee is currently being drafted and this will be shared with the Committee when it is available.

I hope you and the Committee Members have found all the information requested in the response, and I would like to thank you for your comments.

Yn gwyir
Yours sincerely

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cc - Cllr De'Ath