

# Record of decision taken under delegated powers by a council officer



Title:	<b>Consultation on the future of eight older people's residential care homes owned and operated by Surrey County Council</b>
Divisions Affected:	All
Key Decision:	No
Decision taken under delegation by virtue of:	Scheme of Delegation Section 3, Part 1 – Scheme of Delegation to Officers paragraph 3.7 – public consultation

## Summary

In April 2019 the council took back responsibility for operating eight residential care homes for older people that had been previously operated by Anchor Hanover Trust under contract. The homes are:

Abbeywood, Ash Vale  
Barnfield, Horley  
Birchlands, Englefield Green  
Chalkmead, Merstham  
Heathside, Woking  
Keswick, Great Bookham  
Meadowside, Staines  
Orchard Court, Lingfield

Following independent building surveys and a refresh of the council's commissioning strategy for older people, the Executive Director for Adult Social Care considers that the council should consult publicly on the future of the care homes.

We want to ensure that care meets the future needs and aspirations of Surrey's ageing population so that people can lead independent and fulfilling lives for as long as possible.

As a county council we're focused on modernising care so it's tailored to people's strengths and needs - including through investing in extra care apartments with support staff always on hand and working to improve choice for people who have advanced or complex conditions by increasing the provision of more specialist residential care.

**Decision made**Decision made:

It was AGREED that a public consultation on the future of the eight residential care homes for older people, operated by the council, start on the 11 October and close on 5 January 2022.

Reasons for Decision:

The consultation is to be a listening exercise to inform discussions and future decisions on how the council invests resources for supporting older people.

Decision taken by:	Simon White, Executive Director for Adult Social Care
Decision taken on:	28 September 2021
To be implemented on:	11 October 2021

**Alternative options considered**

No alternative options were considered

**Summary of any financial implications**

None

**Declarations of conflicts of interest**

None

**Consultation/Process Followed**

Councillor Sinead Mooney, Cabinet Member with lead for Adult Social Care has been consulted.

**Background Documents**

Exempt:

None