

## CABINET

17 MAY 2013

### A.7 - REFERENCE REPORT FROM THE SERVICE DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY COMMITTEE 22 APRIL 2013

#### IMPACT OF THE NEW MANAGEMENT AND SERVICE STRUCTURES ON FRONTLINE SERVICE DELIVERY (LIFE OPPORTUNITIES)

##### **BACKGROUND**

At the meeting on 22 April 2013, the Service Development and Delivery Committee considered the issue of the impact of the new management and service structures on frontline service delivery (Life Opportunities).

The Committee received a presentation by the Corporate Director (Paul Price) on his Department's restructure, which aimed to bring its services into a more business and commercial focus while still looking after the more vulnerable parts of society and the need to reduce costs of non-discretionary services such as leisure centres.

##### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS / COMMENTS TO CABINET**

Cabinet is now asked to consider the recommendations and comments of the Committee and determine its response if any:

The Committee **RECOMMENDS** to Cabinet that:

- a) In order to speed up the disabled adaptation assessment arrangements, the Committee recommends that the option for Tendring District Council taking on the Occupational Therapist assessment process be considered for a trial period of one year, subject to there being a successful application to Investment East to cover any additional costs for the running of the assessment process during the trial period. Tendring District Council officers to discuss this proposal with officers of Essex County Council to agree how the arrangements could be implemented and to liaise with Investment East as to the likelihood of any bid being approved; and
- b) Officers be asked to explore how this type of initiative can underpin the work by Tendring District Council and Essex County Council on Community Budgets.

##### **PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S COMMENTS / RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET**

That the recommendations from the Committee, be agreed.