

# REPORT TO EXECUTIVE

PORTFOLIO AREA: HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES ACTIVITIES

Date of Meeting: 29 September 2003

Public

Key Decision: Yes Recorded in Forward Plan: No

Inside Policy Framework

Title: Petition Re-Cardiac Rehabilitation Fitness Programme, The

Sands

Report of: HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION SERVICES

Report reference: EPS 66/03

### Summary:

A petition has been received which has been signed by 42 registered electors of the district. The petition concerns the Cardiac Rehabilitation Fitness programme which is delivered at The Sands.

The report gives details of the petition, answers to the questions raised and suggests that discussions are entered into with the relative Health Authorities and other organisations to secure the long term future of the programme.

#### Recommendations:

It is recommended that discussions are entered into with the relative Health Authorities and other organisations to secure the long term future of the programme.

Contact Officer: Richard Speirs Ext: 7325

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers: None

#### 1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND OPTIONS

- 1.1 A copy of a petition submitted by the Cardiac Rehabilitation Action Group is enclosed in Appendix One to this report. The group raise issues in regard to the Cardiac Rehabilitation Fitness programme which is held at The Sands Centre and ask three specific questions regarding the programme.
- 1.2 The Cardiac Rehabilitation Fitness programme was set up in conjunction with the Cumberland Infirmary in October 1991 as the final phase (phase IV) of a Cardiac patients rehabilitation following a heart condition. This phase provides exercise sessions within the community for patients who are referred from the Hospital. The sessions are held once a week and are delivered by instructors with the preferred qualifications at The Sands.

#### Petitions Issues

- 2.1 The Costings Structure of the sessions was reviewed in 2001 and currently the programme is self funding with patients paying £2.50 per session. With the transfer of the management of The Sands to Carlisle Leisure Limited, it is understood that the current situation will continue.
- 2.2 Currently, the programme is delivered by staff who are qualified and are supervised by an instructor who is qualified to the preferred level (BACR phase IV). The staff are employed on a casual basis and are paid per session taken, however the supervisor is employed on a full time basis within the Environmental Protection Services unit. The postholder is on secondment for a two year period that ends on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2004, when she will return to her substantive post. Her seconded post is funded by the Local Health Group to deliver an Exercise on Prescription programme. In effect, her delivery of the Cardiac Rehabilitation programme is currently subsidised by the Local Health Group and previously has been subsidised by the City Council.
- 2.3 In view of the points raised in 2.2, discussions need to be held with a number of partner agencies to secure the future of the group, in terms of clinical and community exercise together with Social Support Provision.

#### 3. Consultation

- 3.1 Consultation to date Evaluation with service users is currently being undertaken by the local Health Group.
- 3.2 Consultation proposed It is proposed that consultation with relevant agencies and service users be undertaken as part of the discussions to secure the future of the programme.

#### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended the discussions are entered into with the relative Health Authorities and other organisations to secure the long term future of the programme.

#### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

The programme provides an essential service for a number of people within the community. In order to secure its long term future and to see that everyone's needs are met, discussion is needed between the relative partners involved.

#### IMPLICATIONS

- Staffing/Resources issues as discussed in paragraph 2.2
- Financial No current implications.
- Legal There are no legal issues associated with this report.
- Corporate N/A.
- Risk Management Carried out as part of Health Partnerships Risk Assessment, January 2003.
- Equality Issues There are no equality issues.
- Environmental Issues There are no environmental issues.
- Crime and Disorder Issues There are no crime and disorder issues.

APPendix one

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Cardiac Rehabilitation Action Group c/o Chase View Gilbert Road Cummersdale Carlisle CA2 6BJ Tel. 01228 513472

26 August 2003

Mr J M Egan Head of Legal & Democratic Services City of Carlisle Council Rickergate Carlisle

Dear Sir

Reference: Cardiac Rehabilitation Fitness Programme, The Sands, Carlisle

At tonight's meeting of the Cardiac Support Group, great concern was voiced by the members regarding the continuation of the facilities that we the members and participants have enjoyed and benefited from for the past twelve years.

When our fees to the Sands Centre were last reviewed it was understood following discussions that a review may be held and from March 2004 the format may change.

Coupling this, with the change of ownership of the Sands and adding speculation, this has compounded our concern and fears that the wind of change may be close at hand.

With this in mind it was mooted that an Action Group be formed and the following questions be asked:

- 1 Can we be assured that our exercise programme will continue, be ran by qualified staff to BACR Phase 4 giving patients confidence in participating in the exercise programmes and reassuring the professional medical team that we are being cared for, and supervised by staff with the required qualifications?
- 2. If change is envisaged what changes will be made and what will replace the current programme?
- 3. If the latter why the change and the reasons behind the decision?

cont.

We all feel strongly about this issue and would like to use our right as council tax contributors within the City of Carlisle to address the Council Executive for a state your case meeting. Enclosed are the required 30 plus signatures in order to implement this request.

We look forward to your communication on this issue.

Yours faithfully

John W Bedlington

Chairman

on behalf of the Committee

Cardiac Support Action Group.

Mr Gordon Little

Mr Dennis Graves

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Mr Ian Richardson

Mr Peter Sewell

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