

SCRUTINY PANEL – INVESTIGATION OUTLINE DRAFT

Review Topic: Middlesbrough Care Homes- are they fit for purpose.	Investigation By (Scrutiny Panel): Adult Social Care and services scrutiny panel.
	Type e.g. Full/Task & Finish:

Which of the three aims in the Strategic Plan 2021-2024 does the topic meet?

People - Working with communities and other public services in Middlesbrough to improve the lives of local people.

Place - Securing improvements in Middlesbrough's housing, infrastructure and attractiveness, improving the town's reputation, creating opportunities for local people and improving our finances.

Business - Promoting investment in Middlesbrough's economy and making sure we work as effectively as possible to support our ambitions for People and Place.

Which of the priorities in the Strategic Plan 2021-2024 does the topic meet?

Children and Young People	We will show Middlesbrough's children that they matter and work to make our town safe and welcoming and to improve outcomes for all children and young people.
Vulnerability	We will work to address the causes of vulnerability and inequalities in Middlesbrough and safeguard and support the vulnerable.
Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour	We will tackle crime and anti-social behaviour head on, working with our partners to ensure local people feel safer.
Climate Change	We will ensure our town acts to tackle climate change, promoting sustainable lifestyles.
COVID-19 recovery	We will ensure the recovery of local communities, businesses and the Council's operations from COVID-19, taking opportunities to build back better.
Physical Environment	We will work closely with local communities to protect our green spaces and make sure that our roads, streets and open spaces are well-designed, clean and safe.
Town Centre	We will transform our town centre, improving accessibility, revitalising unused assets, developing iconic new spaces and building more town centre homes.
Culture	We will invest in our existing cultural assets, create new spaces and events and improve access to culture.

Quality of Service	We will ensure that we place communities at the heart of what we do, continue to deliver value for money and enhance the reputation of Middlesbrough.
Purpose of Investigation: To review Middlesbrough Care homes standards and whether they are fit for purpose/ DDA compliant.	Desired Outcomes: To ensure most of Middlesbrough's most vulnerable groups are cared for, with dignity and that their needs are met.

Terms of Reference: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To examine the regulations and fundamental standards of care that need to be met by residential care homes in Middlesbrough. 2. To identify the work undertaken by the Local Authority and the CQC to monitor and enforce standards in Middlesbrough's care homes. 3. To examine the work undertaken by Middlesbrough's care homes to ensure fundamental standards of care are met and people are kept safe from harm, abuse and neglect. 4. To explore best practice aimed at ensuring residential care homes are fit for purpose and deliver high standards of care.

Key Issues/Lines of Enquiry:	Risks: None identified
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Venue: Spencer room/ Middlesbrough care home.	Timescale: TBC
INFORMATION AND SOURCES	Allocation of Tasks – Who is doing each task:
Documents/evidence (e.g. performance data, information from department):	

<p>Performance data</p>	
<p>Witnesses: Director of Place/ Head of Strategic Commissioning & Procurement</p>	
<p>Research/Consultation (e.g. legislation or info from other organisations):</p>	
<p>Site Visits:</p>	
<p>Middlesbrough Care home.</p>	

<p>Officer Support from other departments: Adult social care and services scrutiny committee.</p>	<p>Budget Requirements (e.g. hire of minibus for site visit etc.):</p>
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<p>Target Body for Recommendations: Place Service area. CQC</p>
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