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**1. Purpose**

To introduce a presentation of the “Implementation of the Care Act in Shropshire”.

**2. Summary**

The Care Act will be implemented in two stages – April 2015 for general implementation and April 2016 for funding reforms.

**3. Background**

The presentation builds on previous reports to this committee on the Care Act.

**4. Recommendations**

Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee are requested to:

- Consider the progress made to date in implementing the Care Bill in Shropshire.
- Consider and note the potential of new burdens as we continue to model the impact of the funding reforms
- Identify any further areas within the Care Act for scrutiny by the committee

**REPORT**

The Head of Social Care Efficiency and Improvement will talk to a PowerPoint presentation.

**5. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal**

As the reforms to Social Care Services in Shropshire are implemented an Equality Impact Needs Assessment (EINA) will be completed.

## 6. Financial Implications

There are potential financial implications as the Care Bill is implemented and finance officers are modelling these. This will include both implementation costs and new burdens as a result of the Care Act.

Funding for the implementation is included in the Better Care Fund and finance officers are fully involved in allocating this.

Further funding is expected through the revenue grant and again finance officers are monitoring this and modelling the resources available against the Shropshire requirements.

## 7. Conclusion

Implementation of the Care Act continues in Shropshire and will progress at pace post October 2016 when the guidance is finalised.

### **List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)**

The Care and Support Bill – Impact for Shropshire Council (Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 9 December 2013)

Adult Social Care Bill – update (Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 24 March 2014)

Adult Social Care Bill – Update (Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 23 June 2014)

### **Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)**

Councillor Lee Chapman, Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South)

### **Local Member**

This is a countywide matter.

### **Conflicts of interest declared by members**

### **Appendices**