

Angus Health and Social Care Partnership

Care Home Sustainability

Please see answers below (in blue) to the questions asked in your email of 26 October:

- What impact does the recent announcement of the closer of 12 residential care homes have on your area?

Bield has no care home provision in Angus, although does provide some sheltered housing and care at home services in this area. We do not anticipate any direct impact in Angus but have a slight concern that closure of care homes in Fife might lead to a knock-on increase in demand for placements in Dundee and therefore potentially Angus.

- Are there concerns regarding the sustainability of residential service provision (in your area)? and if so, how could they be addressed?

Scotland Excel is carrying out work on the sustainability of the care home market in Scotland. They will have the overall picture across the country as they have been working closely with providers and Integration Partnerships on sustainability, cost and quality. Angus has been a participating Partnership in this work.

Local issues include concerns about consistently high occupancy rates, the recruitment and retention of nursing staff, and the replacement for the National Care Home Contract negotiating structure. We would be happy to provide further information if required.

I hope this information is helpful.

Kind regards,

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On behalf of Vicky Irons
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