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**Adult ,Community and Housing Services Scrutiny Committee – 4<sup>th</sup>  
December 2013**

**Report of the Director of Adult Community and Housing Services –  
Making It Real Agenda**

1. **Purpose of Report**

To continue to consider the impact of the Making It Real Agenda for the people of Dudley.

2. **Background**

At the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2013 Members received a number of presentations about the Making It Real agenda. The presentations included feedback from local people through the Local Account, statistical data about performance including benchmarked data against comparator Local Authorities and a presentation about the future model of adult social care in the borough.

Members were provided with a full briefing pack and the documentation presented on 24<sup>th</sup> September is both available on CMIS:- and at [www.makingitrealindudley.org](http://www.makingitrealindudley.org)

Having been presented with a significant range of statistical and quantitative data, members determined that the session on 4<sup>th</sup> December should focus more on quantitative data. To that effect rolling programmes of visits to Making It Real sites have been scheduled across November. Members will also have the opportunity to listen to feedback from an independent audit of “Quality of Life” standards in Dudley by an organisation called Changing Our Lives.

Relevant officers will be asked to attend to answer Members’ questions on the evening of the Committee alongside representatives from Changing Our Lives

3. **Finance**

Paul Benge- Finance Lead for DACHS will be in attendance to present our Demand Management model. The model is a means to monitor the value for money of our preventative services and ensure resources are utilised efficiently.

4. **Law**

The Care and Support Bill identifies a number of new statutory duties for social care departments to deliver. These include a right to access “personalised” care and support, the duty to provide preventative services and the duty to provide support to Carers.

5. **Equality Impact**

Widespread engagement and consultation will continue to be undertaken as across the various strands of Making It Real to ensure local people play an active role in shaping the agenda and challenging its impact

6. **Recommendation**

Members are requested to scrutinise the information provided to them and determine if they need further evidence and/or wish to make recommendations as appropriate.

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