
QUESTION NO. 1 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC – UNIVERSAL CREDIT APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

To: **Council – 15 October 2015**

By: **Committee Services Manager**

Classification: **Unrestricted**

Summary: **Councillor Crow-Brown, Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance Services will receive a question from a member of the public in relation to Universal Credit.**

For Information

1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 The following question, addressed to Councillor Crow-Brown, Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance Services has been received from Dr Symonds in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No.13:

“With the introduction of Universal Credit this month, what provision has been made at Gateway Plus for those patients in the community with severe mental disorder, who may need help in completing the required forms?”

- 1.2 Under Council Procedure Rule 13.7, the Chairman will invite the questioner to put their question to the Member named in the notice. If the questioner is not present, the question shall not be put and shall be answered in writing.
- 1.3 Under Council Procedure Rule 13.8, if the Member to whom the question is directed is present they will provide an oral answer. If that Member is not present, the question will be answered by the Leader or another Member nominated by the Leader for the purpose unless it is inappropriate for the Leader to give an oral answer or to nominate another Member to give an oral answer, in which case the question will be dealt with by a written answer.
- 1.4 The total time devoted to questions shall not exceed 30 minutes. Any question which cannot be dealt with during that time will be replied to in writing.

2.0 Corporate Implications

2.1 Financial

- 2.1.1 None arising directly from this report

2.2 Legal

- 2.2.1 None arising directly from this report

2.3 Corporate

- 2.3.1 Council Procedure Rule 13 affords members of the public the opportunity to ask questions of Members of the Cabinet at ordinary meetings of the Council.

2.4 Equity and Equalities

- 2.4.1 None arising directly from this report.

3.0 Recommendation

- 3.1 This report is for information.

4.0 Decision Making Process

- 4.1 This report is for information.

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Annex List

None	
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Background Papers

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	

Corporate Consultation Undertaken

Finance	n/a
Legal	n/a
Communications	n/a