

Cabinet

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Statement: PS08.01

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Re: Agenda item 8 - Additional Provision Framework - Therapists, Mentors & Tutors Approved Providers List

Statement submitted by: Jen Smith

This is another pointless Cabinet statement, because as we all know, this is just a done deal.

But wouldn't it be good for once if some of what is being Green Lit in tonight's agenda had some questions from members. Because you really all ought to have some understanding of the background of what you're passing and how it translates in reality.

Like we already have a dynamic purchasing framework for ALP so how is this one an improvement, because it's not really clear other than adding additional section for council sanctioned therapists. Hilarious really when it's such a struggle for Send parents to get these included in EHCPs.

Lots of things in Send have been Green Lit over the last couple of years, yet have had no impact on alleviating the suffering that Bristol's Send population can be subjected to on a daily basis.

Looking at the Decision Pathway Report for this agenda item, Point 3 states: 'When this provision is written into an EHCP, the local authority has a duty under the Children and Families Act 2014 to ensure the child or young person receives it. This can include but is not limited to therapies, assessments, mentoring, tutoring and educational psychology services.'

But let's not kid ourselves that this is happening consistently, safely or in a timely manner. As Bristol already has an ALP framework, creating a new framework won't change this if there is not enough staff capacity to arrange this for weeks, months or even after the parent or carer has taken the LA to Sendist tribunal.

I have recently finished a Sendist claim to get EHCP provision in place from September 2022 yet here we are almost at the end academic year with the final ruling. Does the council save money on ALP provision by using outsourced solicitors to fight against Sendist claims? What a time-wasting and draining use of money you claim never to have. The ALP framework you already have could be used instead of seeing families through the legal process.

Failing to abide by duties under the Children and Families Act 2014 is a reason why my son has only had, I believe to be, four maths lessons during the entire academic year. Four maths lessons. Four. He's in Year 10. So cheers to Bristol City Council for that. And don't be blaming the people at the bottom of the SEN staffing chain for this. Failure on these scales comes from the top down.

Four maths lessons in a year despite all the money you are intermittently throwing at Send, the Education Transformation Project, ALP. Where is it going? Because it's clearly not reaching the pupils is it?

Of course, it would help if the council actually held education blocking and discriminatory schools to account for the heavy use of ALP in the first place. But one can dream.

Point 5 states: 'The proposal will not change the services being received by children, instead it relates to the mechanism by which we purchase the provision...This will ensure our children and young people are receiving high quality, safe provision.'

This is worrying because children should already have been receiving high quality, safe provision. These were issues raised independently to Bristol City Council as far back as the *Review Report – Bristol Alternative Learning Provision October November 2020*.

The fact, is they have not been. Some have been receiving poor quality ALP tuition. This is if they can get tuition in the first place because the best tuition services do not have the staff to meet demand. Which is possibly why some are receiving tuition from tutors who refuse to consider the contents of EHCPs and do things explicitly stated not to do. They might receive tutors – qualified teachers – who claim not to have taught Send pupils and will 'work it out as they go along'. And some Bristol children are being paired with highly inappropriate tutors, including those who come from violent criminal backgrounds who are slipping through safeguarding protocols.

The corporate strategy alignment says this will enable 'Equity in education. This framework will contribute to improving the support we offer to children with SEND.'

I mean come on. By all means, pass this framework, but don't say by doing so this will improve the life chances of Bristol's Send pupils, because if you do, you're kidding yourself.

Question: CQ08.01

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Re: Agenda item 8 - Additional Provision Framework - Therapists, Mentors and Tutors Approved Provider List

Question submitted by: Councillor Townsend

I welcome a framework for that provides for quality assurance and can see how a move supports planning for the medium term spend within the high needs budget. Point 7 of the paper omits the parents/carers as a source of provision via direct payments.

Can Cllr Craig please confirm if and how parents/carers choosing to use direct payments will have access this framework?

Statement: CS09.01

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Re: Agenda item 9: Safer Streets Fund Round 4 Grant Bid

Statement submitted by: Councillor Christine Townsend

My fellow ward councillor and I welcome the news that Bristol City Council will bid for grant funding from round 4 of the Safer Streets initiative, and we are, of course, very supportive that the two most deprived LLSOAs of our ward, areas that include East Street and Dame Emily Park, have been highlighted as one of the two priority hotspots for this funding.

In addition, the same two areas in our ward, due to their high levels of deprivation, have been identified as eligible for funding from the Community Resilience Fund and, as ward councillors, we are working alongside our existing community and business groups to make the best use of that fund's opportunities to tackle deprivation and build resilience.

High levels of anti-social behaviour in this part of our ward have complex causes and we are keen to ensure that actions taken to tackle the problem are delivered in a way that has the support of the local community, local community groups such as BS3 Community and Action Greater Bedminster amongst others, as well as traders in East Street and their representative organisations such as the Bedminster BID.

We are therefore keen, as the ward councillors for the area concerned, to more fully understand how we as local councillors, and our local community (and especially the 2,732 residents living in the "hotspot" identified), and those already active in this part of our ward will be involved going forward so that we can ensure that any solution proposed will have the greatest opportunity to succeed.

In particular, given that, the additional funding will be £750k as well as match funding of some £380k, we would like to get some breakdown of likely spend in each area (ie Bedminster and Hartcliffe) so that we have some idea of the extents of actions that may be deliverable.

We hope that the Cabinet Member and Executive Director will accept our willingness to engage fully to tackle the problems identified in the paper presented to cabinet to today, and look forward to that engagement with them alongside the wider community and especially those already working hard to improve the Bedminster West and Bedminster East areas of our ward.

Councillor Christine Townsend
Councillor Tony Dyer

Statement: PS12.01

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Re: Agenda item 12 - Old City & King Street Pedestrianisation Scheme Full Business Case

Statement submitted by: David Redgewell, Bristol Disabled Equalities Forum Trustee

We welcome this report that removes traffic from some of the most historic street and buildings in Bristol city centre remove of the private car.

This allows the cleaning of the poor air quality in terms of transport Emissions

This is very important on the Mayor Malvin Rees and Bristol City Council and West of England Mayoral Combined Transport Authority Metro Mayor Dan Norris on the journey to net zero by 2030 and public health and respiratory illness in central Bristol and clean Air zone mitigation coming into effect in October 2022 .

We welcome works to the Public realm and continued pavements and Drop Kerbs.

We must keep disabled access to King Street and the Theatre Royal Old Vic bars and restaurants and waterfront hotels around Welsh Back .

The Bristol streets are very difficult for disabled people to travel over using a wheelchair or mother/fathers with buggies we welcome the work on disabled access and parking bays with the walking alliance, Wesil, Bristol, Bristol Disability Forum and Bpac .

We still need good Taxis access both in King Street and Corn Street, Old City Area .

Pavements and crossing improvements are welcomed as our continued pavements over junctions especially the public realm improvements with the Tourism economy in the Historic City and Harbour Area Bristol being a major tourist destination in South West England.

We welcome the night economy improvements the area needs to be safe at night more work needs to be done on this issue

Linkages to Castle Park and the Development of new homes and mixed use office development within the park and links to the Galleries Shopping Centre redevelopment and hopefully Regeneration within Broadmead are very important within the scheme.

We welcome the works to complementary works of the city region bus corridor on services 2, 2a from Cribbs Causeway bus station Southmead Henleaze, Clifton Down station Park Street, City Centre, Cabot Circus, Bristol Temple Meads station, Totterdown, Knowle Hengrove and Stockwood . within the West of England Mayoral Combined Transport Authority and North Somerset Council bus service improvements plan

of bus service need improvements in frequenting the city centre and some of the routes require public subsidies for some routes into the city centre.

Improvements to cycling e bikes and e scooters. cargo bikes

It's very important that we maintain disabled access people car blue badge holders and wheelchair accessible more is done with shop mobility access.

More seating needs to be provided around Corn Street the Old City and King Street

The pedestrianisation of the Old City and Corn Street has allowed more to enjoy walking around the historic city with people sitting out for food and drink and street markets.

The city council need to invest in the removal of Tagging from the historic city building street furniture and bus and coach infrastructure seating etc .

we certainly welcome the Development money and the full business case to the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority mayor Dan Norris at the next west of England meeting.

we believe the city mayor and Regional mayor Dan Norris and west of England mayoral combined transport Authority should move further forward with reductions of the private car with the city centre like other English and European cities on their journey to net zero and climate change. The restoration of the public realm within this historic city in the west country is very important to the community as is removing the private car and Transport Emissions for the city centre.

David Redgewell South west transport Network
Bristol disabled equalities forum.
Trustee.

Question: CQ12.01

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Re: Agenda item 12: Old City & King Street Pedestrianisation Scheme Full Business Case

Question submitted by: Councillor Edwards

There is no mention of LTN/20 compliance in the Old City Business Case, can you clarify that there will be this compliance?

Statement: PS13.01

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Re: Agenda item 13 - Zero Emission Transport City

Statement submitted by: David Redgewell South West Transport Network

We welcome this report for Zero Emissions Transport city Report and Decarbonation of the city transport system and the successful bid by Bristol city council and the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority.

With city mayor Marvin Rees and Metro mayor Dan Norris.

On Bristol and the city region journey to Net zero by 2030 .

The investment in sustainable transport with cargo bike ,cycle, hangers cycle lanes and Bus priority measures.

e bikes and e scooters are welcome part of the journey to net zero and East Bristol low Emissions neighbourhood's.

The introduction of Electrification of the city region bus fleet by 250 Electric buses at the Hengrove bus Depot of First group plc west of England buses and Discussion with stagecoach group over their fleet in the city region.

by the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority.

Through the bus service improvements plan with west of England mayoral combined transport Authority and North Somerset council.

The bid forward through the Zebra

Zero Emissions bus region area.

link to the city region transport corridor across the city region.

Routes like whitchurch Stockwood, Hengrove, knowle, Bristol Temple meads station, Bristol city centre, park street, Clifton Down, westbury on Trym, Henleaze, Southmead, Henbury, cribbs causeway bus station.

Bristol to East Bristol and kingswood Network.

Hengrove knowle Bedminster Redcliffe Bristol city centre uwe Little stoke cribbs causeway bus station.

corridor are some examples of Electric bus routes.

But many of the Greater Bristol transport corridor can be Electrified.

This of course will help the removal of vehicles and pedestrianian of king street

Oid city and the Broadmead area .

The policy also support the clean area Zone in city centre.

The £500 .000 Development funds are welcomed.

The issue with improvements to our bus Network in the city region is the need for Public transport subsidies.

To maintain a bus Network of decarbonatised routes and services will cost money through a transport levy to west of England mayoral combined transport Authority Mayor Dan Norris or a precepts from the Transport Authority to operate bus services and public transport like Great Manchester mayor Andy Burnham or West Midlands combined Authority mayor Andy streets.

At present we are funding 85 services across the city region and bus service will always require public subsidies on the journey to net zero with electrification of the city region bus fleet.

At present Greater Bristol is paying £ 20 ahead for public transport and Great Manchester £ 67 ahead for public transport.

We welcome the success bid for the Zero Emissions transport city.

and the city council and the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority and North somerset council bus services improvements plan moving toward sustainable transport Network and Electrification of the city region bus fleet.

But in order to get people out of their cars and clean up city region transport Emissions we must invest in a public transport Network and sustainable transport.

we must also need Electrification of the city region railway Network including metro west .

But this report is welcome in the city region move toward cleaning up Transport emissions in the city region.

it must also be noted that some of the poorest communities in Central Bristol suffer poor quality and respiratory illnesses and Deaths.

These areas need improvements in public transport for access to jobs employment education health care shopping leisure and Tourism facilities..

Disabled people also need more access to public transport.

We welcome the city council mayor Rees and Transport executive councillor Don Alexander and Metro mayor Dan Norris in the city region journey to Net zero .

David Redgewell South west transport Network

Ian Beckey Gloucestershire catch the bus campaign.

Peter travis Somerset catch the bus campaign.

Statement: CS13.01

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Re: Agenda item 13 - Zero Emission Transport City

Statement submitted by: Councillor Stafford-Townsend

We desperately need to reduce our emissions and fully functioning, joined up cycle infrastructure is critical to achieving that. Removing cycle lanes will not reduce the flooding risk in our city, rather increasing sustainable travel options are vital to tackling the climate emergency.

It is short sighted to remove cycle lanes anywhere in our city, to do so risks available funding. The administration must ensure that new schemes, such as Nelson Street, are correctly planned & executed and do not put cyclists & pedestrians at risk, as well as ensuring adequate drainage.

Question: CQ13.01

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Re: Agenda item 13 - Zero Emission Transport City

Question submitted by: Councillor Edwards

When looking at the feasibility study, can we get a commitment that car charging infrastructure will not take space away from active travel infrastructure or hinder active travel routes?

Statement: PS14.01

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Re: Agenda item 14 - Levelling Up Fund bid opportunities

Statement submitted by: Michele Tedder, Filwood Broadway Working Group

Knowle West Alliance and Filwood Broadway Working Group welcome the report on the Levelling Up Fund Bid and the opportunity to put forward a multi-million pound capital bid for Filwood Broadway.

Whilst we support the application, we believe there is a need to consider the regeneration decision making in a joined-up way, with a co-design approach central to the process.

The benefits of a co-ordinated approach will be:

- The council will benefit as the investment will deliver sustainable and integrated improvements and for future generations
- The street space will be well connected to the new proposed housing sites – this is critical to enhancing the area,
- This is a unique opportunity and getting it right first time will avoid the risk of having to spend more money putting things right later

The vision of the Filwood Broadway Working Group is a community driven partnership that helps achieve good quality facilities; retail; affordable homes; community buildings, leisure and play - alongside a pleasing public space - making Filwood Broadway a destination place that residents, businesses and visitors can be proud of.

In recent years we have been attempting to influence the development proposals and have been collaborating with the council and “Create Streets” on a process of co-design for the public realm works for the Broadway itself.

However, we are however disappointed that there is no support from the council for a new Masterplan. We fear that the piecemeal approach may miss some vital opportunities.

The prospect of a successful Levelling Up bid means there will be even more reasons to bring all the development elements, including the Library site, potential large convenience store and public realm, together into a unified plan.

We therefore reiterate our request for a new Masterplan framework that can achieve the community driven and inspired improvements. We call on the council to review their decision and work together with us on this, ensuring that Knowle West Alliance and Filwood Broadway Working Group involvement is central to the decision making of all the regeneration plans.

Statement: CS14.01

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Re: Agenda item 14 Levelling Up Fund bid opportunities

Statement submitted by: Councillor Tony Dyer

It is always good to see investment going to South Bristol as is hopefully the case for Filwood in this case.

So when we talk about the need for investment in another part of South Bristol, in this case East Street in the Bedminster part of Southville ward, we hope it is clear that we mean this should be in addition to, not instead of, any investment in Filwood Broadway.

A lot of work and effort, led by the Bedminster BID team, has been put into creating the East Street vision document which offers an opportunity to transform East Street into a retail high street able to serve the large population growth entailed by the regeneration of Central Bedminster (including Bedminster Green, Whitehouse Street and Mead Street) but also a much wider area of South Bristol as part of a strategic transport corridor with improved rail, bus and active transport solutions.

For the first round of Levelling Up Funding in 2020/21, we understand that Bristol City Council explored the possibility of submitting a bid for the Bedminster Green Regeneration Area, with the support of the MP for Bristol South, which would have included improvements to East Street - although the Mayor has clarified that although there were some elements of this bid which concerned East Street, this did not lead the bid.

In the end, due to the challenging timescales for the 2021/22 round of bidding, Bristol City Council made the decision as a Local Authority not to submit bids for the Levelling Up Fund that year.

Nevertheless, as the directors of the Bedminster BID expressed at the time, they felt that many of the elements for a strong Levelling Up Fund application were already in place as the BID had spent 3 years organising a consortium with the Bedminster Green developers to raise and spend £70k to create a vision and detailed masterplan for East Street.

We do not wish to give the impression that East Street has been completely ignored – we realise that some £400k of funding has made available in the past year for improvements to East Street. In addition, as my ward colleague mentioned earlier, potential funding may be coming to help combat Anti Social Behaviour on East Street, and we are also working with local community groups to secure Community Resilience funding for the area. In addition we have also worked with Dame Emily Park Project to secure £65k of local CiL funding for improvements to nearby Dame Emily Park, and hope to add another £35k to this later in the year.

Obviously this is all very welcome, but clearly this is still well below the £10m or so needed to implement the full extent of the East Street vision.

Both the BID team, and ourselves as local ward councillors, understood that the “East Street Vision” proposal would be considered alongside other projects which were being put forward for the Levelling Up Fund for the 2022/23 financial year. However, clearly the East Street Vision is not going forward for this round.

We would be keen to understand why a levelling up fund based on the East Street Vision was not taken forward to the latest round of Levelling Up Funding, and what changes, if any, could have been made to gain the levels of support needed. We are more than willing to meet with officers and/or the Cabinet Member to receive a briefing and discuss future opportunities if that is possible.

We also note that the cabinet report states that if the current Levelling Up Fund bids proposed are unsuccessful, the Executive Director for Growth & Regeneration, in consultation with Cabinet Member for Finance and Cabinet Member for Housing, and the S151 Officer, are authorised to identify and submit bids for other potential sources of funding within the maximum budget envelopes outlined in the report.

We would like to suggest that, if the LuF bids ARE successful, which all of us clearly want them to be, that similar authorisation be given to the Executive Director for Growth & Regeneration to identify and submit bids to fund the East Street Vision.

In relation to this, given the large scale redevelopment of the Bedminster Green Regeneration Area, and, to come, the Whitehouse Street Regeneration Framework, we would like to request that consideration is given to allocating some of the Strategic CIL funding generated by those large developments to the delivery of the East Street Vision.

East Street was once South Bristol's High Street, and although shopping and leisure patterns have changed considerably, we still believe there is a sustainable future for East Street at the heart of a major new neighbourhood within a strong public transport and active transport corridor serving a large catchment area in South Bristol.

Councillor Tony Dyer

Councillor Christine Townsend

Statement: CS14.02

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Re: Agenda item 14, Levelling Up Fund bid opportunities

Statement submitted by: Councillor Zoe Goodman

I support the statement submitted by Filwood Broadway Working Group and welcome the report on the Levelling Up Fund Bid and the opportunity to put forward a multi-million pound capital bid for Filwood Broadway.

However, the wider picture needs to be considered, with a coordinated approach to the development of Filwood Broadway as the heart of the community. I call on the council to recognise the work that the local community is putting into the regeneration of the local area and to work with them to update the Masterplan to recognise changes in the decade since it was developed and take into account the community's wishes. Knowle West Alliance and Filwood Broadway Working Group should be involved centrally in the decision making for the regeneration plans.

Question: CQ14.01

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Re: Agenda item 14 - Levelling Up fund bid opportunities

Question submitted by: Councillor Mack

Bristol is able to submit a bid for each constituency within the authority, considering we would expect the Labour MP's to be supportive of bids in their area, **why have we only submitted a bid for Bristol North West and Bristol South?**

Question: CQ15.01

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Re: Agenda item 15 - Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2023/24

Question submitted by: Councillor Townsend

Can we have a breakdown of those working age households receiving CTRS funding by tenure (ie council tenants, other social rent, private rent, etc)?

Question: CQ16.01

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Re: Agenda item 16 - 2021/22 Revenue Budget outturn

Question submitted by: Councillor Mack

In February this year the majority of the Bristol Councillors voted for increased funding to improve road safety outside schools, increase investment in local parks and to reopen public toilets.

When faced with nearly £1m underspend from last year, why has it been decided the money should go into the Mayor's office and reserves, instead of what are clearly the democratic priorities in this chamber?

Question: CQ17.01

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Re: Agenda item 17 - Digital Strategy

Question submitted by: Councillor Wilcox

The proposed Digital Strategy is an excellent plan to best utilise the information technology assets of Bristol City Council for its staff and citizens.

I am however concerned that in the section for Ambition 2 - Simple, Stable, and Secure: talks about achieving ISO27000 accreditation. Since the council has not even got the National Cyber Security Centre Cyber Essentials Certification this will be a challenge to achieve. **Can the cabinet member give some assurance that this stepping stone will be achieved before going over to a full ISO27000 accreditation?**

Question: CQ18.01

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Re: Agenda item 18 - Microsoft Desktop Licensing

Question submitted by: Councillor Wilcox

I completely understand the need to renew the Microsoft Desktop License. I do however suggest that you update the evidence base paragraph in the report so that it includes an up to date list of products - Microsoft Lync has been retired since 2014.

Can you please provide a timescale for retiring the following Microsoft Products so that BCC does not need to purchase additional support and have the associated security risks of running unsupported and out of date software?

Please provide the answer in the form of a table with the following columns: product | number of instances | Total Cost of Support

1. Microsoft Windows 7
2. Microsoft Windows 8/8.1
3. Office 2013
4. Office 2016

Question: CQ19.01

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Re: Agenda item 19 - Expansion of the Climate and Ecological Emergency Programme

Question submitted by: Councillor Dyer

Question for Cllr Kye Dudd, Cabinet Member for Climate, Ecology, Energy & Waste

Thank you for a concrete commitment to increasing funding to a million, expanding the Climate and Ecological Emergency Programme beyond March 2024.

However, I am slightly confused that the report brought to cabinet revised its scope on the 11th May to only include ecological projects. **Given that the programme is climate AND ecological, is there an expectation that there will be a separate report identifying more climate focused projects forthcoming at a later date?**

Question: CQ19.02 & CQ19.03

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Re: Agenda item 19 - Expansion of the Climate and Ecological Emergency Programme

Question submitted by: Councillor Grant

Questions for Cllr Kye Dudd, Cabinet Member for Climate, Ecology, Energy & Waste

1) I am very pleased to see the commitment to extend the scope and duration of the programme recognising that continuous climate and ecological action will be required after the March 2024 programme. It makes sense for the new timeframe to fit with the Corporate Strategy, and the flexibility of the framework is very welcome.

The report brought to cabinet indicates the CEEP has been revised to include an additional £905k for ecological actions. There is mention of herbicide reduction and managing green spaces for biodiversity. **How can local councillors and community groups play a meaningful process in prioritising green spaces for trailing low-mow, reduced or phased herbicide use, and wildflower meadows?**

2) I am also glad to hear that Bristol City Council has been included in the European Union 100 Climate Neutral and Smart Cities Mission. The report says funding for innovation and investment will be made available. **Do we know how much funding, and for actions in which sector (transport, housing etc)?**

Question: CQ20.01

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**Re: Agenda item 20 - Extensions for Preventing Homelessness
Accommodation Pathways – adults (22+)**

Question submitted by: Councillor Dyer

Question for Cllr Tom Renhard, Cabinet Member for Housing Delivery and Homes

I know that the Member of Cabinet shares with me the commitment to ensure that those in desperate need of services such as those outlined in the report he is presenting today are not treated as second class citizens.

Can he highlight some of the measures introduced to ensure that those individuals and families who need the support and facilities provided are safeguarded from those who may seek to take advantage of them in pursuit of their own financial objectives, and thus provide sub-optimal accommodation and facilities?