

Chief Executive's Budget Proposal**OPTION: Girtrell Court**

2015/16	2016/17	TOTAL
£000s	£000s	£000s
385	-	385

SUMMARY OF OPTION

Girtrell Court is a 'short break', respite service for adults with disabilities. The service has 20 beds, of which 15 are 'respite' and 5 are designated as permanent. At the moment, 130 people are registered to access respite through Girtrell Court, and all use it for a certain number of weeks per year.

This option would explore the possibility of using this facility more widely, this could potentially see Girtrell Court being invested in, and its capabilities expanded to enable the NHS to use the centre on a joint basis for patients who either do not need hospital care or who are being prepared for discharge following treatment. A full review of all the options available will be undertaken and will require full consultation with those people directly impacted by any proposed changes.

IMPACT ON RESIDENTS

This option could improve the facilities at Girtrell Court and expand the level of care and support which is currently available at the site. Change is always difficult for people and their families, therefore there may be some resistance to change and if an integrated model is actioned there may be a requirement for some people to access respite within a different community setting.

IMPACT ON PARTNERS

This option would bring benefits to the NHS in particular, who have indicated they would welcome the opportunity to commission the support they require from an improved facility at Girtrell Court.

IMPACT ON COMMUNITY, VOLUNTARY AND FAITH SECTOR

No direct implications.