

## Appointments to Outside Bodies relevant to the remit of Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee

### Annual Report

Name of Appointee:		Anne Regan (Cllr)	
Name of Organisation:		Dowty House Coronation Old Peoples Housing Society	
No. of meetings held	12	No. of meetings attended	9
Please give a brief description of the purpose of the organisation:			
<p>Provision of residential care and general help with the wellbeing of 37 aged people. All residents are treated with dignity and respect. A care plan is in place for each resident.</p> <p>The home is run by a voluntary management committee allowing fees to be kept to the minimum; Placements are from the Social Services with funding from Social Services and County Council.</p> <p>Of the 37 placements 3 are private.</p> <p>The home is run with highly qualified care staff several up to NVQ 4 status.</p>			
Please give details of activities/achievements/outcomes during the year:			
<p>A variety of social activities/outings/entertainers and a Christmas party each year with a visit from the Mayor.</p> <p>There is a monthly newsletter for residents with a quiz and crossword.</p> <p>The food is home cooked using all fresh food and vegetables.</p> <p>Over the last 25 years there has been a substantial savings and this has enabled the home to engage in vast building improvements to bring the home up to the highest standards</p> <p>During the last two years the following improvements have been made.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 New kitchen/ serving counter and dining room redecorated</li> <li>2 New en suite facilities to bedrooms</li> <li>3 New laundry room</li> <li>4 New medical room</li> <li>5 New conservatory and outdoor smoke room</li> <li>6 New macerators.</li> </ol>			

Do you feel this is a good use of your time? Y/N	yes
Do you wish to continue as the council's appointee? Y/N	yes
Does the organisation receive any funding from the council and if so how much?	no
Links to Business Plan and Corporate Objectives	The care and support of older people is one of our corporate priorities.
Any other comments	
It is a pleasure to serve on this committee and in my opinion it must be one of the best care homes in Cheltenham with interests of the residents always at the forefront.	