Statement for O & S Committee Re: Izzat Day Centre

Following the initial submission of the petition regarding the surprise proposal to close the Izzat Day Centre, there has been a flurry of activity.

This has led to the landlord Orbit agreeing to allow the ladies to continue to meet there for no charge which is welcomed.

There is also a good level of dialogue with Age UK looking at some of the very specific transportation needs for some of the service users who have limited mobility.

CVS are currently attempting to seek a volunteer to assist with activities for the residents in view of the withdrawal of staffing from the council.

We would therefore request that rather than any referral to cabinet that this committee reviews the situation in six months to ensure that this transition has been a positive one.

Finally it should be recognised that although the petition referred to Izzat Day Centre we are aware of other Day Centres such as Welcome Day Centre which have been through similar processes recently.

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