## Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Public Health & the Voluntary Sector Wednesday, 26 November 2014

## **ADDENDA**

## 2. Questions from County Councillors

Question received from Councillor John Howson.

'In view of the evidence that Myalgic Encephalopathy/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS) is one of the leading causes of long-term absence from school, affecting approximately 1% of pupils, what training has been provided for school nurses to help them to advise teachers and school leaders of how they might manage the learning of pupils with ME/CFS?'

## Response

The School Health Nurse Service has not received any formal training in the area of ME/CFS. Individuals have developed any knowledge they have based on experience in practice, and joint working with Consultant Paediatricians, as and when the need arises.

