

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY CABINET BOARD

16 NOVEMBER 2023

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: J.Hale and S.Harris

Officers in Attendance:

A.Thomas, C.Howard, K.Warren, J.Hodges, N.Jones and P.Chivers

Scrutiny Invitees:

Councillor C.Galsworthy and P.Richards

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor Harris be appointed Chairperson of the meeting.

2. **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

There were none.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the 21st September, 2023 will be brought back to the next committee to sign off.

5. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24**

The Forward Work Programme was noted.

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No questions from the public were received

7. **PERMISSION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE 'THE TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME - THE ALLIANCE OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE'**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment, Members approved the principles, aims and objectives of the Transformation Programme - The Alliance Outline Business Case, and provide support for the continued planning, to enable the future procurement of a new integrated substance use service, using an Alliance contract, that will replace the current range of contracting arrangements for drug and alcohol related interventions.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

Agreement to proceed with the 'Transformation Programme - The Alliance Outline Business Case' will enable the continued Programme development.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period, which ended 9am, Monday 20th November 2023.

8. **NEATH PORT TALBOT YOUTH JUSTICE AND EARLY INTERVENTION DRAFT YOUTH JUSTICE PLAN 2023-2024**

Decision:

That Members are asked to support the Neath Port Talbot Youth Justice and Early Intervention Draft Youth Justice Plan 2023 – 24 for commending to Council for approval.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

To enable the Neath Port Talbot Youth Justice Service (Early Intervention and Prevention) on behalf of Neath Port Talbot Council to undertake its duties to deliver youth justice services in line with the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period, which ended 9am, Monday 20th November 2023.

9. **PRACTICE IMPROVEMENT GROUP**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

10. **SOCIAL SERVICES CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLES SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT (SPOC)**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

11. **CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE, ADULT SERVICES AND HOUSING & COMMUNITY SAFETY - 2ND QUARTER (APRIL 2023 - SEPTEMBER 2023) PERFORMANCE REPORT**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

12. **URGENT ITEMS**

There were none.

13. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS - EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

Decision:

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in Paragraph 14 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 subject to the Public Interest Test (where appropriate) being applied.

14. **CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PREVENTION AND WELLBEING SERVICE**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment, it is recommended that Members:

- Agree to suspend Rule 11 of the Council's Contract Procedural Rules
- Provide permission for the Head of Housing and Communities to enter into a new contract with The Wallich for the provision of a Prevention and Wellbeing Service for a period of 12 months, with an option to extend for a further 6 months. This period being subject to the Council being able to terminate the service early by providing three months' notice to The Wallich.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

So that there is a legally binding contract enabling the continuation of these essential services whilst Officers conclude a review of homelessness services and implement a new service model that enables delivery against the Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period, which ended 9am, Monday 20th November, 2023.

15. **HILLSIDE REDESIGN REPORT**

Decision:

1. That having had due regard to the integrated impact screening assessments, authority be granted to the Director of Social Services, Health, and Housing to proceed with the service redesign of Hillside, as set out in appendix 1 to the circulated report (Hillside Service Redesign Report).
2. That authority be granted to the Director of Social Services, Health and Housing to make the necessary workforce changes, with an information report to Personnel Committee detailing the changes.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

Hillside needs to respond to the changing needs and outcomes for the complex children placed within Hillside, the proposed redesign will ensure that the provision in Hillside adapts in the right way to support the most vulnerable children in our society.

Implementation of Decision:

This decision shall be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended 9am, Monday, 20th November 2023.

16. **THE REGULATED SERVICE (SERVICE PROVIDERS AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2017 AND HILLSIDE SECURE CHILDREN'S HOME UPDATE**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

17. **THE MANAGER'S REPORT ON HILLSIDE SECURE CHILDREN'S HOME**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

18. **ENHANCED SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

CHAIRPERSON