

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

7 MARCH 2019

SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH AND WELLBEING CABINET BOARD

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: A.R.Lockyer and P.D.Richards (Chairperson)

Officers in Attendance:

A.Jarrett, A.Thomas, J.Hodges and J.Woodman-Ralph

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Cllr.P.D.Richards be appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

That the minutes of the meetings held on the 10 January 2019 and 7 February 2019 be approved.

3. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 18/19**

Noted by Committee

4. **REVISED ADULT SERVICES ASSISTED TRANSPORT POLICY**

Members were supportive of the proposals suggested by the Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held prior to this meeting as detailed below.

Decision:

Having given due regard to the Equality Impact Assessment, approval be granted to undertake a consultation on the Adult Services Equitability of Service Provision Policy as detailed in Appendix 1 to the circulated report subject to the following:

1. That an easy read version of the policy be created;
2. That the wording around accessibility to transport based on receipt of mobility allowance be clarified.

Reason for Decision:

To take into account the social care resources available when undertaking an assessment or reassessment of individuals' needs, to ensure a sustainable range of good quality adult social care services are available to meet the needs of the most vulnerable citizens of Neath Port Talbot, and contribute towards the budgetary savings identified in the Council's Forward Financial Plan.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

5. **ADULT SERVICES EQUITABILITY OF SERVICE PROVISION POLICY**

Members were supportive of the proposals suggested by the Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held prior to this meeting as detailed below.

Decision:

Having given due regard to the Equality Impact Assessment, approval be granted to undertake consultation on the Adult Services Equitability of Service Provision Policy as detailed in Appendix 1 to the circulated report. Subject to the creation of an Easy Read version of the Policy.

Reason for Decision:

To take into account the social care resources available when undertaking an assessment or reassessment of individuals' needs, to ensure a sustainable range of good quality adult social care services are available to meet the needs of the most vulnerable citizens of Neath Port Talbot, and contribute towards the budgetary savings identified in the Council's Forward Financial Plan.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

6. **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT SERVICES - 3RD QUARTER (2018 - 19) PERFORMANCE REPORT**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

7. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS**

Decision:

That pursuant to Regulation 4 (3) and (5) of Statutory Instrument 2001 No. 2290, the public be excluded for the following item of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

8. **ANNUAL UPDATE ON THE SUPPORTING PEOPLE LOCAL COMMISSIONING PLAN AND 2019/20 CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SUPPORTING PEOPLE PROGRAMME GRANT (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Decisions:

1. That the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan Annual Update for 2019 be endorsed;
2. That the progress to date be noted;

3. That the Head of Adult Services be granted delegated authority to enter into new interim contractual arrangements with existing providers whose contracts expire on 31 March 2019 for a period of up to 12 months, subject to a 3 month notice period.
4. If required approval be granted for Officers to commence any public consultation to support the recommissioning and procurement of services;
5. That approval be granted to undertake competitive procurement exercises to re-commission the following Supporting People Programme Grant funded services. These would be in addition to both Mental Health and Domestic Abuse Services previously approved by Members:
 - Extra Care Services (working jointly with Social Services colleagues)
 - Substance Misuse Services (working jointly with Partnership and Community Cohesion colleagues)
6. That the Head of Adult Services be granted delegated authority to enter into new contracts with the bidder(s) evaluated as offering the most economically advantageous tender (taking into account the quality and cost of the bids) in respect of each of the Supporting People Programme Grant funded services that are competitively tendered.

Reasons for Decisions:

1. The Annual Review sets out the Council's strategic priorities in 2019 for key partners and stakeholders.
2. Permission to enter into new interim contractual arrangements with those providers who's contract will end on 31 March 2019 will ensure that there is a continuing contractual basis to make payment for these vital front-line support services whilst ongoing procurement exercises take place. This will ensure existing service user's provision is not disrupted.
3. Commencing procurement processes to re-commission services and entering into contracts with the successful bidder(s) will ensure that services purchased by the

Council are of high quality, strategically relevant to the requirements of the Supporting People Programme Grant conditions, best placed to meet changing needs and demands of the local population and achieves best value for money.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

CHAIRPERSON