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Executive Decision Records

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health
Date:	22 July 2022
Title:	Variations to Stop Domestic Abuse Contract utilising New Burdens Funding from Department for Levelling up Housing and Communities (DLUHC)
Report From:	Director of Public Health

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health approves the proposed additional spend to Stop Domestic Abuse for services provided to Domestic Abuse support, to a maximum of £1,500,000 additional spend for 2022/23.
- 1.2. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health delegates authority to the Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Executive Member, to approve the exact figure of additional spend on this contract for each future year (from 2023/24 onwards), dependent on the level of available government funding provided each year under the New Burdens Fund, up to a maximum of the total funding provided each year, over the remaining years of the contract.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 seeks to raise awareness and understanding about the devastating impact of domestic abuse on victims and their families; further improve the effectiveness of the justice system in providing protection for victims of domestic abuse and bringing perpetrators to justice; along with strengthening the support for victims of abuse by statutory agencies.
- 2.2. The County Council has a duty under the Act to assess the need and demand for safe accommodation and accommodation-based support and to subsequently develop and publish strategies, giving effect to these strategies by making commissioning decisions.
- 2.3. The Hampshire Safe Accommodation Needs assessment was undertaken in 2021, identifying key areas that would have a positive impact on the provision of safe accommodation for victims.

- 2.4. At the time of awarding the current Domestic Abuse contract, it was anticipated that there would be future additional grant funding, which was intended to be channelled through the contracted providers.
- 2.5. Increasing spend through this contract would add capacity to current domestic abuse services, in particular in regard to safe accommodation support, in line with requirements on Hampshire County Council under the Domestic Abuse Act 2021.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To not provide increased funding through the current Domestic Abuse contract. However, this would mean there is not additional support available to those experiencing domestic abuse in Hampshire and limit the ability of Hampshire County Council to fulfil requirements under the new Domestic Abuse Act 2021.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: none.
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: none.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: N/A

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: N/A

7. Statement from the decision maker:

Approved by:	Date:
----- Councillor Liz Fairhurst Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health	22 July 2022

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health
Date:	22 July 2022
Title:	Grants to Tier 2 Authorities utilising New Burdens Funding from Department for Levelling Up Housing and Communities (DLUHC)
Report From:	Director of Public Health

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health approves the grant scheme offer to Tier 2 Authorities to support them to become DAHA accredited with up to a total value of £226,470 for 2022/23.
- 1.2. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health delegates authority to the Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Executive Member, to approve the grant awards to individual Tier 2 Authorities for 2022/23.
- 1.3. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health delegates authority to the director of Public Health, in consultation with the Executive member, to approve continuation of the scheme and funding of grant awards for years 2023/24 and 2024/25, or ceasing of the scheme, taking into account funding received from DLUHC.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. Part 4 of the new Domestic Abuse Act 2021 places a duty on Hampshire County Council to provide accommodation-based support to victims of domestic abuse and their children in refuges and other safe accommodation and to improve the types of safe accommodation accessible to adults and children experiencing domestic abuse.
- 2.2. The County Council has a duty under the Act to assess the need and demand for safe accommodation and accommodation-based support and to subsequently develop and publish strategies, giving effect to these strategies by making commissioning decisions.
- 2.3. The Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance (DAHA) improves the housing sector's response to domestic abuse through the introduction and adoption of an established set of standards and an accreditation process. Obtaining

accreditation enhances how housing providers interact with victim/survivors and strengthens the local area's coordinated community response to domestic abuse.

2.4. DAHA Accreditation is an intrinsic element of the Whole Housing Approach (WHA) which is part of The County Council's Domestic Abuse Safe Accommodation Strategy (2021-2023). Four Tier 2 Authorities so far have expressed an interest in becoming DAHA accredited.

2.5. By providing this grant scheme, The County Council will be contributing to the funding available to the Tier 2 authorities within the Domestic Abuse fund. Thereby enabling them to achieve DAHA accreditation, when it might not otherwise be possible.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. To not support Tier 2 authorities to become DAHA accredited through a grant scheme. However, without this support, Tier 2 authorities may not undertake accreditation, reducing the coordinated community response to domestic abuse and affecting the implementation of the County Council's Domestic Abuse Safe Accommodation Strategy.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: none.

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: none.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: N/A

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: N/A

7. Statement from the decision maker:

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Liz Fairhurst
Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health

22 July 2022

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health
Date:	22 July 2022
Title:	Additional Spend within the commissioned Substance Misuse Treatment Contract
Report From:	Director of Public Health

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health notes the additional spend between July 2018 – June 2022 of £1.4m within the Substance Misuse Treatment Contract (original value of £508,001,688 over 7 years) and approval of an additional £802,715 for 2022/23.
- 1.2. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health approves additional spend under the Substance Misuse Treatment Contract in line with Government funding for years 2023-2025 of up to £2.4 million.
- 1.3. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health delegates authority to approve additional spend to the Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Executive Member, on an annual basis for 2023/24 and 2024/25, considering anticipated funding received from Office for Health Improvement & Disparities (OHID) as outlined in this report.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. In December 2021, the government launched its 10 year drugs strategy where a clear vision to deliver a world class substance misuse treatment and recovery system was presented.
- 2.2. In February 2022 it was announced that all local authorities would receive additional 3-year funding to increase capacity and improve quality of local substance misuse services.
- 2.3. It is anticipated that the Council will receive up to an additional £3.15m over the next 3 years from the Office of Health Improvement & Disparities (OHID).
- 2.4. The additional funding from OHID will be added to the existing Substance Misuse Treatment contract on an annual basis through contract variations that are compliant with procurement regulations.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. To not accept additional grant funding from OHID.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: none.

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: none.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: N/A

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: N/A

7. Statement from the decision maker:

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Liz Fairhurst
Executive Member of Adult Services and Public Health

22 July 2022

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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health
Date:	22 July 2022
Title:	Funding for Drug / Alcohol Inpatient Detoxification Services
Report From:	Director of Public Health

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health approves spend of up to a maximum amount of £6 million over 5 years until March 2027 for inpatient medically managed drug / alcohol detoxification services.
- 1.2. Notes that the Director of Public Health has approved interim measures with the c current provider to ensure service continuity until 31 December 2022.
- 1.3. That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health delegates authority to the Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Executive Member, to finalise the spend and arrangement for services considering national and regional funding.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. In December 2021, the government launched its 10-year drugs strategy where there was a clear vision to deliver a world class substance misuse treatment and recovery system. In February 2022 it was announced that all local authorities would receive additional 3-year funding to increase capacity and improve quality of local substance misuse services. The funding for this financial year was confirmed in April 2022, with indicative amounts indicated for the following 2 financial years (2023-2025). This builds on the funding made available to all local authorities in 2021/22.
- 2.2. One element of the funding is to increase capacity of inpatient, medically managed drug / alcohol detoxification. This type of unit can deal with complex physical, mental health and behavioural issues and provide 24-hour nursing care.
- 2.3. In 2021/22 a consortium of 20 local authorities was established and funding was pooled to open a new detoxification unit in Hampshire. This was the only unit in the country to be established with this funding.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. To not develop a consortium proposal for the funding, which would not allow for increased capacity for medically managed drug / alcohol detoxification services.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: none.

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: none.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: N/A

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: N/A

7. Statement from the decision maker:

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Liz Fairhurst
Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health

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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health
Date:	22 July 2022
Title:	Meals on Wheels Service
Report From:	Director of Adults' Health and Care

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health approves spend of up to £30m (Inclusive of VAT) over a maximum ten-year period (5 years + a period or periods of up to 5 years) on a service contract for a Meals on Wheels service commencing 1 October 2023 as outlined in this report

2. Reasons for the Decision

- 2.1 The current contract commenced in October 2018. Procured on an initial 3-year term with option to extend by up to a further 2-years, this option was exercised in June 2021 to take the current contract expiry to 30 September 2023.
- 2.2 The contracted service is provided to customers who need support in the form of nutritious meals. A referral may be made by frontline care practitioners, including teams seeking to discharge people from hospitals. Referrals can also be made by individuals self-referring into the service or by friends and relatives of individuals seeking support. Individuals are required to confirm they meet the eligibility criteria outlined in appendix 1 when completing their application. For some people, the service helps meet a need to manage and maintain nutrition, while for others it is a preventative service that helps maintain independence.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 In house provision - At present, Hampshire County Council in house facilities are not able to provide the volume of meals required.
- 3.2 Allow the current contracts to expire - This option could lead to a significant increase in price. Hampshire County Council would have no control over price and quality and there would be no guarantee that all eligible residents would be served.

3.3 Allow the current contracts to expire and commission a community meal provision - This option would have the risks identified above and would also require Hampshire County Council funding for community meal provision.

3.4 Procure a Meals on Wheels service under a concession contract - A concession contract could ensure a reliable service 365 days a year for all eligible residents. However, Hampshire County Council would not have the current level of control over price and different VAT arrangements would apply.

4. Conflicts of interest

4.1 Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

4.2 Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: Not applicable

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by: ----- Councillor Liz Fairhurst Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health	Date: 22 July 2022
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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health
Date:	22 July 2022
Title:	Demand Management and Prevention Grants
Report From:	Director of Adults' Health and Care

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1. The decision:

1.1 That approval be given by the Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health for the following actions:

- i) To award 6 grants totalling £131,509 to cover a range of time periods between 1 August 2022 and 31 December 2023 as part of the Local Solutions Fund (as detailed in appendix A of the report).

2. Reasons for the Decision

2.1 The Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Sector contributes to improving people's quality of life. The grants programme is one of the ways in which the County Council supports the sector to support people to live fuller more independent lives.

2.2 The decision supports the aim of the Demand Management and Prevention Programme to reduce, delay and/or divert demand on Adults' Health and Care by supporting individuals on the cusp of care within their local communities in Hampshire so that they are able to lead healthy, happy, independent lives for as long as possible.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 Not to offer and award the grants contained within the report. This option was rejected because the grants programme is currently one of the ways in which the County Council supports the sector to support people to live fuller more independent lives and to reduce the demand for County Council services. Following the decision taken in June 2022 to cease three of the Adults' Health and Care grant schemes, the Local Solutions Fund is currently one of the mitigating factors identified to provide support to VCSE organisations offering activities to prevent demand on adult social care.

4. Conflicts of interest

4.1 Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

4.2 Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: Not applicable

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

22 July 2022

**Executive Member for Adult Services and Public
Health
Councillor Liz Fairhurst**