

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Lead Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health
<b>Date:</b>	16 July 2024
<b>Title:</b>	Approval to spend for drug & alcohol treatment and support services
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Public Health

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### 1. The decision:

1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Adult Services and Public Health provides approval for permission to spend up to £78,108,000 on drug and alcohol treatment and support services from 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2032.

### 2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. Hampshire County Council Public Health has the responsibility under the Health & Social Care Act 2012 to commission drug and alcohol treatment services across the life course. The present contract for Hampshire's drug and alcohol treatment service is due to expire on 30 June 2025.

2.2. The Health & Social Care Act 2012 describes the duty for all upper-tier and unitary local authorities in England to take appropriate steps to improve the health of the people who live in their areas. This includes providing Public Health services, including those aimed at reducing drug and alcohol misuse. This is currently provided through an integrated service in Hampshire that provides drug and alcohol treatment and support across the life course. Each year there are over 4,000 Hampshire residents who access treatment and support for their alcohol / drug use. Component elements of the current service include:

- specialist service for children and young people (up to 25 years) delivered at multiple access points in local communities.
- an adult's service (which includes psychosocial and medical interventions) delivered in 9 treatment hubs across the county alongside outreach / satellite provision with a range of different partners (e.g. primary care, criminal justice). The service also includes access to inpatient detoxification and residential rehabilitation.

- support for parents and carers impacted by someone else’s drug / alcohol use.
- a pharmacy drug-treatment service (this includes providing opiate substitute therapy such as methadone, providing a needle exchange service and issuing naloxone, an opiate reversal medication that prevents drug overdose).
- [These are the reasons for this decision being made, including any links to the Strategic Plan.]

2.3. There are national indicators that are attached to the successful delivery of drug and alcohol treatment at a local level. These include a) an increase in numbers in treatment b) numbers accessing residential rehabilitation c) continuity of care from prison to community drug and alcohol treatment and d) a reduction in drug and alcohol related deaths in treatment. The current provider is performing above all targets set locally, reducing health inequalities, and improving health outcomes for the residents of Hampshire.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

- 3.1. No other options were considered.
- 3.2. If approval is not given, the County Council would not be able to meet its responsibilities under the Health & Social Care Act 2012 to commission drug and alcohol treatment services across the life course for over 4000 Hampshire residents who are currently accessing these 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:**

<p><b>Approved by:</b></p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>Councillor Liz Fairhurst</b>  <b>Executive Lead Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health</b></p>	<p><b>Date:</b></p> <p><b>16 July 2024</b></p>
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