

REPORT OF THE
Executive Member for Public Health
PART II

1. LOCAL WELFARE ASSISTANCE (LWA) FUNDING (2018-20)

- 1.1 On 23 May 2018 the Executive Member for Public Health gave approval to make grants from the Local Welfare Assistance (LWA) budget totaling £80,500 over 2 years to local Borough and District Councils to support families in crisis. The Executive Member also delegated authority to the Director of Children's Services in consultation with the Executive Member to award grants over £5,000 to any of the Borough and District Councils identified, from any underspend of the original grant allocation to facilitate the full distribution of the total grant funding of £80,500.
- 1.2 The provision of on-going Government funding for LWA ceased in March 2015. A finite budget has been identified utilizing unspent funds of delivering LWA over a period of 3 to 5 years. This funding is required to support vulnerable families so there is a clear link with those families who are part of the Supporting Families Programme (SFP) cohort.
- 1.3 LWA funding has been used by the County Council to fund and support innovative solutions to welfare concerns throughout Hampshire. Through the continued commitment of the County Council to deliver crisis support to vulnerable residents, providing funding to families in crisis has remained a key priority focus. Current SFP funding has been used by local groups to fund some small one off crisis payments to support and engage families within the Programme. The focus of this collaboration would be to ensure that LWA is meeting the crisis needs of families engaged in support from Hampshire's SFP and that support provided is in line with the agreed family plan.

2. NHS HEALTH CHECKS

- 2.1 On 25 July 2018 the Executive Member for Public Health agreed to procure and spend up to £9,100,000 for the NHS Health Checks Programme for adults aged 40-74, with a maximum contract term of 7 years (5 years with an option to extend for a period or periods of up to 2 years). The Programme is due to commence from 1 April 2019.
- 2.2 Under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 responsibility for commissioning and monitoring the Programme moved from the NHS to local authorities. The County Council is redesigning the NHS Health Check service to ensure it delivers an effective programme and improved outcomes for those eligible and who take up the offer.

- 2.3 The Programme aims to prevent heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes and kidney disease, and to raise awareness of dementia. The cost of social and health care from the rise in levels of obesity, type 2 diabetes and dementia make the prevention and risk reduction of these conditions key drivers of the Programme.
- 2.4 A new service specification will be developed in accordance with the NHS Health Check Best Practice Guidance. It will describe the population needs, key service outcomes, scope of the service, quality standards and performance measures, pricing and include patient pathways for risk assessment and management. The service specification will retain the universal invitation element which is essential to meet the 100% target.

3 APPROVAL TO SPEND FOR DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES

- 3.1 On 25 July 2018 the Executive Member for Public Health gave approval to spend up to £13,459,800 for Domestic Abuse Victim and Perpetrator Services for a maximum contract term of 7 years (5 years with an option to extend for a period or periods of up to a total of 2 years). The Services will be funded by the County Council and The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Perpetrator Services will be funded by Southampton City Council.
- 3.2 Public Health has the opportunity to transform and redesign domestic abuse services to ensure that they deliver effective and improved outcomes that meet our population's changing needs whilst also making efficiencies within the system. Currently there are a number of separate contracts with different providers delivering domestic abuse victim/survivor and perpetrator services to Hampshire residents. Priorities for the new Domestic Abuse Service for Hampshire have been identified following a local mapping of services, needs analysis and stakeholder engagement.
- 3.3 Reducing the impact of violence in Hampshire is a key strand of work outlined in the public health strategy, and investing in domestic abuse services makes a difference for victims and their families. A small number of perpetrators are participating in prevention and/or behavioural change programmes and a large proportion of both victims and perpetrators are repeat cases, resulting in multiple victims over time.

Further details can be found at the links below:

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