

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Lead Member for Adult Services and Public Health
<b>Date:</b>	8 June 2021
<b>Title:</b>	Grant for New Inpatient Detoxification Unit
<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 approves the award of the grant of £1,220,837 to Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust to develop a new inpatient medically managed drug / alcohol detoxification unit in Fareham.

### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. In February 2021, the government announced an additional £80 million to fund drug treatment during 2021/22. This is the biggest increase in drug treatment funding for 15 years. The £80 million is new funding for one year only to enhance drug treatment and the funding will be made available through the Section 31 grant provisions of the Local Government Act 2003.
- 2.2. One element of this funding was to increase capacity of inpatient, medically managed drug / alcohol detoxification. Nationally there has been a reduction in medically managed in-patient detoxification units over the last few years and PHE have recognised that this low volume, high-cost treatment option for people with complex needs is currently not provided at a capacity which meets demand. A medically managed drug / alcohol detoxification unit can care for people with complex physical, mental health and behavioural issues and provide 24-hour nursing cover. These units require good liaison with General Practitioners and clear pathways with, or supported by, acute hospitals. The nearest specialist unit for Hampshire residents is in Kent or Bristol.
- 2.3. The award of the PHE grant of £1,220,837 will be utilised to develop a new inpatient drug / alcohol detoxification unit in Fareham through collaboration with 20 local authorities as part of the Central South Coast Consortium (the Consortium) as set out in this report.
- 2.4. The unit would allow for better access locally to inpatient detoxification treatment and improved pathways of care for people with complex needs. The

County Council would be the accountable body for this project and have agreed to receive the funding from PHE.

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

- 3.1. The other option would have been to not put in a bid for the grant award; therefore the inpatient drug / alcohol detoxification unit in Fareham would not be available locally and would continue to have to travel significant distances out of county for treatment.

**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:** The intention to take this decision was previously notified on the 29 April, and due to recent changes in Executive Member responsibilities, was re-notified to confirm that the decision maker would be the Executive Lead Member for Adult Services and Public Health. It was impracticable to give the required 28 days notice of the Executive Lead Member for Adults' Services and Public Health's intention to take this key decision due to the timing of the recent portfolio changes.

**7. Statement from the decision maker:**

<b>Approved by:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
----- Councillor Liz Fairhurst Executive Lead Member for Adult Services and Public Health	8 June 2021