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Title	Report for Approval of variance of extension to five years for the procurement of Barnet Integrated Substance Misuse Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Service for Young People and Adults.
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Summary

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Policy and Resources Committee have authorised Barnet Department of Public Health to procure and commission substance misuse service activity effective form April 2020. This report seeks authority to approve a contract variation to enable extension of the service for a five-year period.

Under the Council's Constitution, Contract Procedure Rules, Article 10 Table B, Authorisation for extension/variation of contracts with a value of over £500K is a Full Officer DPR in Consultation with Committee Chairman

A total of £8,031,106 (£590,516 Drugs and Alcohol Young people's service + £7,440,590 Adults substance misuse service) has been authorised in the Annual Procurement Forward Plan 2019-2020. However, the approved substance misuse activity budget on the Annual Procurement Forward Plan covers a three-year period, which is not the preferred option for commissioning of substance misuse service (Adults) and drugs and alcohol service (Young People).

To commission the service for a longer period in this case for a 5-year period, a total £5,415,822 is the variance extension sought for approval translating to a grand total of £13,446,928 for the five years period effective from April 2020.

As a result, and, to enable the Council to commission and procure substance misuse services for a



5-year period, this report is required. Proposed total budget breakdown for services to be procured are as follows: £1,048,955 five-year totals for drugs and alcohol service (Young People); and a five-year total of £12,397,972 for substance misuse service (Adults).

Decisions

1. Approval be given to proceed and procure the commissioning of the Barnet Integrated Substance Misuse Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Service for Young People and Adults by extending the commissioning period from a three to five-year period effective from April 2020, with an additional budget of £5,415,822, bringing the total budget to £13,446,928.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The Policy and Resources Committee authorised the Annual Procurement Forward Plan 2019-20 on 11th December 2018, which identified the Barnet Department of Public Health requirement for the procurement activity of Drug and Alcohol service (Young People) and Substance Misuse Service (Adults).
- 1.2 This report is needed so that we are able to continue to deliver the Substance Misuse Service once the Contracts with the current provider; West Minster Drug Project, expire on 31s March 2020.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To comply with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules whilst seeking Authorisation and approval of budgets over £500,000.
- 2.2 Commissioning and procurement of substance misuse is not a mandatory service; however, it is part of the health and wellbeing of residents and aids functionality as well as being a key health intervention. This also feeds into the criminal justice element in terms of prevention and deterrence.
- 2.3 As part of the Public Health England (PHE) requirements laid out in the Health and Social Care Act of 2012, Local Authorities are responsible for commissioning health and social care services for residents. Barnet Council Public Health Team are responsible for commissioning services for the treatment of substance misuse issues and these services are funded wholly by the Public Health grant. The existing contract for substance misuse services ends in March 2020 and we have begun a procurement process for re-tendering of Substance Misuse Services.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 One option that was considered and rejected was for Barnet Council to do nothing and to let substance misuse service contracts expire on 31st March 2020 without replacing

them. This option was rejected as the provision of substance misuse services although not mandatory, supports the Council to meet its statutory duties under the Care Act 2014 including duties regarding promoting wellbeing.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Commissioners and Procurement Officers will proceed as appropriate with the procurement of these services as listed on the Annual Procurement Forward Plan 2019-20. This will be conducted as an Open procurement process.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 This Substance misuse service commissioned activity will form part of the Council's statutory duties under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 to commission and provide appropriate public health services.
- 5.1.2 Barnet Substance Misuse Strategy 2015-2020, which was accepted and approved by Barnet's Health and Wellbeing Board in 2015, supported the recommissioning of Drugs and Alcohol services for adults, young people, their carers and families.

Barnet key objectives of the strategy are:

- To prevent Barnet residents from harmful use of drugs and alcohol.
- To protect Barnet residents and their families/carers, including children and vulnerable adults, from indirect harm caused by substance misuse.
- To promote and sustain recovery of Barnet residents identified as misusing substances.
- 5.1.3 Barnet's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (2015-2020) includes the overarching aims of "keeping well" and "promoting independence". The recommissioning of the substance misuse services clearly supports some of the key priorities in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, such as supporting carers, focusing on wellbeing and supporting people to gain and retain employment.
- 5.1.4 Post procurement, suppliers will be robustly monitored and reviewed including their performance through key performance measures and outcome indicators.
- 5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

Finance & Value for Money

5.2.1 Barnet substance misuse service for Adults and Young People's (Drugs and Alcohol Service) respectively are funded from the Public Health Grant. The grant is ring fenced and from funded from Public Health England. The budget for this service is as follows and is in line with the 2019-24 MTFS plan;

			2023-24	2024-25
2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	Budget	Budget
Budget	Budget	Budget	(Optional	(Optional

			extension)	extension)
£2,816,503.23	£2,751,335.42	£2,687,796.81	£2,625,846.66	£2,565,445.27

5.2.2 The estimated and/or proposed substance misuse service contract(s) value from 2020-21 is £13,446,927 for 3 years, with an option to extend a year at a time for 2 further years. The new contract spend year on year is expected to be lower than the previous 5-year arrangement. Monitoring of the contract spend will be carried out regularly and in line with corporate reporting timelines.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 Social Value will be considered as part of the award criteria, to ensure maximum benefits can be achieved via the agreed and approved financial spend.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1 Contracts for services of this nature need to be competitively tendered under The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (Light Touch Regime) as the total contract value exceeds £615,278.00.
- 5.4.2 Under the Council's Constitution, Contract Procedure Rules, Table A, Authorisation documentation for extension/ variation of contracts with a value of over £500K, which has been agreed by the Policy and Resources Committee via the Annual Procurement Forward Plan, is through a Full Officer DPR in Consultation with Committee Chairman.
- 5.4.3 Legal will provide advice in relation to the preparation of the contract and governance issues, as required.

5.5 Risk Management

- 5.5.1 As part of the tender process, bidders will be asked to submit an Implementation Plan for the Service, including:
 - Timeframe for setting up the new service and details of activities and relevant staff responsibilities.
 - Key risks with initiating the contract and how these will be managed by bidders.
- 5.5.2 The bidders' Implementation Plans will be reviewed and evaluated as part of the tender process. Following contract award, implementation plans will be agreed and finalised with the successful bidder. Service mobilisation will be followed by having in place a project management approach which will include recording and managing risks.
- 5.5.3 Alongside the Implementation and Risk Plan, a performance framework will be agreed prior to commencing the service. The service specification will include performance and outcome measures which will be monitored and reviewed through contract management throughout the term of the Contract.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

- 5.6.1 The core provisions of the Equality Act 2010 (the Act) came into force on 1st October 2010 and the Public Sector Equality Duty (Section 149 of the Act) came into force on 5th April 2011. Under Section 149, the Council must have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation prohibited under the Act and to advance equality for opportunity and foster good relations between those with protected characteristics and those without.
- 5.6.2 The protected characteristics are age, disability; race, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation. They also cover marriage and civil partnership regarding eliminating discrimination.
- 5.6.3 Any organisation providing public sector services will be subject to scrutiny by the Council to ensure that delivery complies with the Public-Sector Equality Duty. This duty will continue to be monitored under the Contract.

5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 There are no direct implications for children and the young people's drugs and alcohol services will be open to young people under 25.

5.8 Consultation and Engagement

- 5.8.1 There was no public consultation.
- 5.8.2 In the development of Service specification and Needs Assessment, service users (via survey) were consulted. Safer Community Board will be approached and consulted before going out to tender.
- 5.8.3 The case for commissioning and procurement of substance misuse services in Barnet are informed by:
 - Barnet Substance Misuse Needs Assessment and Service Review (2014 refreshed 2019) and;
 - Barnet Substance Misuse Strategy 2015-2020.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 Barnet Substance Misuse Strategy-2015-2020; https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s24980/Appendix%201%20Barnet%20substance%20misuse%20strategy.pdf
- 6.2 Annual Procurement Forward Plan 2019/2020: Agenda Item 13 of the Policy and Resource Committee Meeting of 11th December 2018, The Committee considered the report which set out the detail of procurement activity for 2019/2020 and where known for 2020/21.

https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=692&Mld=9460&Ver

Chairman:

Has been consulted

Signed

Cllr Caroline Stock Date 8.7.19

Chief Officer:

Decision maker having taken into account the views of the Chairman

Signed

Date 8.7.19