

	<p><b>ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS BY OFFICER 15.05.2015</b></p>
<p><b>Title</b></p>	<p><b>Extension of contract with British Red Cross for Home from Hospital Service</b></p>
<p><b>Report of</b></p>	<p>Adults and Communities Director</p>
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<p><b>Summary</b></p>
<p>The report proposes an extension of the contract with British Red Cross for an additional 12 months from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.</p>

<p><b>Decision</b></p>
<p><b>To agree the extension of the contract for an additional 12 months to British Red Cross for the Home from Hospital Service to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.</b></p>

**1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED**

- 1.1 The Home from Hospital service provides support and practical help enabling a smooth transition back home from hospital. It provides time limited support with the aim of providing enough practical support that enables service users to have the confidence and resources necessary to be as independent as possible.
- 1.2 The current contract with British Red Cross is for one year (plus one year) beginning on the 1st April 2014 ending 31st March 2015. The funding is

through London Borough of Barnet Prevention and Wellbeing budget. This was authorised by DPR of 10.04.2014 Prevention Services – Award of single source contracts.

- 1.3 The Home from Hospital service is part of the enablement pathway, alongside the enablement service currently provided by Housing and Care 21 and the Intermediate Care services provided by Central London Community Healthcare. A pathway approach is being developed and to allow for integrated service re-design there is a need for an extension of the contract to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2016.
- 1.4 The 'Home from Hospital' service will be procured for 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 as part of the enablement pathway work. It is an important part of the enablement pathway and both Health and Social Care are keen to increase the size of the service so as to meet the needs of more people following hospital discharge.

## **2. REASONS FOR DECISIONS**

- 2.1 The enablement pathway integration and redesign is a key development area for the Council and the CCG and is a core project outlined in the Better Care Fund implementation plan for 2015-16. It forms part of Tier 4 (community based intensive support) of the Health & Social Care Integration model.

## **3. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION**

### **3.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance**

3.1.1 The Barnet Council 2013-16 Corporate Plan sets out the Council's Corporate priorities and the service supports the following strategic objective of support to families and individuals that promote independence, learning and wellbeing.

The service supports the objectives:

- To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health.
- To promote a healthy and active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.

### **3.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

3.2.1 The funding for this contract is from Adults and Communities Prevention and Well Being budget. The annual contract value is £38,000 and so the total contract value is £76k. The budget threshold for the contract

remains below £172,514 and the Contract Procedure Rules state that this extension requires a Full DPR

3.2.2 The service will deliver cost avoidance and demand management by supporting people to enable them to live as independently as possible in their own home and reduce or delay the need for care and support.

3.2.3 This service provides value for money across health and social care by supporting 257 people a year to be discharged from hospital as soon as possible

### **3.3 Legal and Constitutional References**

3.3.1 Council Constitution, Part 4, Contract Procedure Rules, Section 11.1 Appendix 1, Table A details the extension/variation thresholds. As the total contract value remains lower than £172,514 and within budget the approval to vary the contract is by Officer in consultation with Chair of Adults and Safeguarding Committee.

### **3.4 Risk Management**

3.4.1 The extension of this service is unlikely to raise significant levels of public concern as the service is already in operation and this is a continuation and supports the next stage in the service development of reablement.

### **3.5 Equalities and Diversity**

3.5.1 The contract for the service includes explicit requirements fully covering the Council's duties under equalities legislation.

3.5.2 The contract requires the provider to have a high standard of equitable behaviours. This includes compliance with Equal Opportunities Legislation, operating an equal opportunities policy observing Codes of Practice issued by the Commission for Equality and Human Rights, and giving appropriate consideration to each customer's race, nationality, cultural or ethnic background, marital status, age, gender, sexual orientation and disabilities.

## **4. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

4.1 The commissioning of this service is in the DPR of 10.04.2014 Prevention Support Single Source contracts

[Decision - Prevention Services - Award of single source contracts - London Borough of Barnet](#)

## **5. DECISION TAKER'S STATEMENT**

5.1 *I have the required powers to make the decision documented in this report. I am responsible for the report's content and am satisfied that all relevant advice has been sought in the preparation of this report and that it is compliant with the decision making framework of the organisation which includes Constitution, Scheme of Delegation, Budget and Policy Framework and Legal issues including Equalities obligations.*

**6. OFFICER'S DECISION**

**I authorise the following action**

6.1 To agree the extension of the contract with British Red Cross for the Home from Hospital service for twelve months to March 31st 2016.

**Signed**



**Date**

**15/05/2015**

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