

	<p><b>Adults and Safeguarding Committee</b> <b>7<sup>th</sup> March 2016</b></p>
<p><b>Title</b></p>	<p><b>Extension of Mental Health Day Opportunities Contract</b></p>
<p><b>Report of</b></p>	<p>Adults and Health Commissioning Director</p>
<p><b>Wards</b></p>	<p>All</p>
<p><b>Status</b></p>	<p>Public</p>
<p><b>Urgent</b></p>	<p>No</p>
<p><b>Key</b></p>	<p>Yes</p>
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### Summary

This report requests acceptance to extend the contract with Richmond Fellowship for Mental Health Day Opportunities for a further two years until 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018 as provided for in the contract.

## **Recommendations**

1. That the Adults and Safeguarding Committee approve an extension of the contract with Richmond Fellowship for Mental Health Day Opportunities for a further two years until 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018 as provided for in the contract.

### **1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED**

- 1.1 A contract was awarded on the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2012 to Richmond Fellowship for provision of Mental Health Day Opportunities following a competitive procurement.
- 1.2 The contract started on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2013 for a period of three years with the option to extend for a further two years subject to review.
- 1.3 The Adults and Health Commissioning Director approved an emergency waiver of the Contract Procedure Rules to continue the service between the end of the contract on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016 and Adults and Safeguarding Committee on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016.
- 1.4 This report requests acceptance to extend the contract for a further two years until 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018 as provided for in the contract.

### **2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The Service was reviewed in August 2015 and the provider is meeting the key performance indicators for the service. The service is currently delivering outcomes related to mental health and wellbeing promotion, peer support and recovery and inclusion. The service is a key demand management initiative which reduces demand on other services by enabling individuals to keep well and live more independently. It is therefore recommended that the service continues.
- 2.2 Continuing the service also allows for future recommissioning to take account of key development areas, specifically the Government's mandate to NHS England for 2016-17 and the Employment Support offer to Barnet residents with a mental health condition.
- 2.3 The Government's mandate to NHS England for 2016-17 was announced in December 2015. It is important that future recommissioning addresses the following aims:
  - greater integration between health and social care, so that care is more joined up to meet people's physical health, mental health and social care needs
  - reduce the health gap between people with mental health problems and the population as a whole, with support to live full, healthy and independent lives
  - ensure there is measurable progress towards parity of esteem for mental health enshrined in the NHS Constitution

- improve care and outcomes through prevention, early intervention and improved access to integrated services
- 2.2 Two employment support initiatives are currently being piloted in the borough. Commissioners are now considering how to sustain and expand these promising interventions to support more people with long-term health conditions and disabilities back into employment.
- 2.3 This context will inform future commissioning of day opportunities in mental health. However, the extension is required to ensure service continuity whilst new national policy and guidance is incorporated into local commissioning intentions.

### **3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED**

- 3.1 Ending the contract without an alternative offer is not recommended in order to ensure there is continuity of service.
- 3.2 Recommissioning the service at the end of the third year was not recommended as opportunities to take account of key development areas would be missed.

### **4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION**

- 4.1 Following the decision, a Deed of Extension will be issued by HB Public Law.

### **5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION**

#### **5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance**

- 5.1.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2015-20 states that the council, working with local, regional and national partners, will strive to ensure that Barnet is a place:
- of opportunity, where people can further their quality of life
  - where people are helped to help themselves, recognising that prevention is better than cure
  - where responsibility is shared, fairly
  - where services are delivered efficiently to get value for money for the taxpayer
- 5.1.2 The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015 – 2020 includes the objective of creating circumstances that enable people to have greater life opportunities through a focus on improving mental health and wellbeing for all.
- 5.1.3 The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment tells us that in 2015, 56,333 people aged 18 – 64 were estimated to have a mental health problem.
- 5.1.4 The number of people with mental health conditions is predicted to increase as the population grows. In November 2014, the Health and Wellbeing Board identified prevention of and early intervention in mental health problems as a

priority. Mental health is the key priority in year one of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy with partners coming together to make a positive impact for all of our residents

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

5.2.1 The service is funded through a Section 75 Agreement for Voluntary Services Prevention Commissioning between the London Borough of Barnet (LBB) and Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group (BCCG).

5.2.2 The table below (5.3) includes the annual value of the contract, including the annual contributions from both funding organisations. The table also includes the value of the two year extension.

## 5.3 Contract Value

Annual Contract Value	LBB Annual Contribution	BCCG Annual Contribution	Value of Two Year Extension
£530,000	£183,461	£346,539	£1,060,000

## 5.4 Social Value

5.4.1 The Public Services (Social Value) Act 2013 requires people who commission public services to think about how they can also secure wider social, economic and environmental benefits.

5.4.2 Any future recommissioning will consider how additional social value can be secured for Barnet.

## 5.5 Legal and Constitutional References

5.5.1 The responsibilities of the Adults and Safeguarding Committee are contained within the Council's Constitution - Section 15 Responsibility for Functions (Annex A). Specific responsibilities of those powers, duties and functions of the Council in relation to Adults and Communities include the following specific function:

- Authorise procurement activity within the remit of the Committee and any acceptance of variations or extensions if within budget in accordance with the responsibilities and thresholds set out in Contract Procedure Rules.

5.5.2 This extension is permitted under Section 14.1 (b) of the Contract Procedure Rules.

5.5.3 Under Table A of Contract Procedure Rules - Authorisation and Acceptance Thresholds, the Adults and Safeguarding Committee must approve the extension to the contract.

5.5.4 The Contract permits for extension and the original authority to award the Contract approved such extension subject to a review prior to the expiry of the

Contract. Extension of the Contract therefore will not be in breach of the Public Contracts Regulations.

5.5.5 The Adults and Safeguarding Committee is also responsible for:

- Promoting the best possible Adult Social Care services
- Working with partners on the Health and Well Being Board to promote integration of social care with health
- Ensuring that the Council's safeguarding responsibilities are taken into account.

## 5.6 Risk Management

5.6.1 Continuing the service mitigates any impact of service disruption.

## 5.7 Equalities and Diversity

5.7.1 The 2010 Equality Act outlines the provisions of the Public Sector Equalities Duty which requires Public Bodies to have due regard to the need to:

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010
- advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups
- foster good relations between people from different groups

5.7.2 The protected characteristics are: age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion and belief, sex and sexual orientation.

5.7.3 An Equalities Impact Assessment was completed as part of the procurement of the service. This showed a positive impact for residents and service users.

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

## 5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 Not applicable.

## 6 BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 Delegated Powers Report, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2012 - Contract Award – Mental Health Day Opportunities Service.

<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s6537/1856%20-%20Contract%20Award%20Mental%20Health%20Day%20Opportunities%20Service%20Public.pdf>

6.2 Delegated Powers Report, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016 - Emergency Waiver to continue Mental Health Day Opportunities Service

<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=6071>

- 6.3 Policy and Resources Committee, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016 2016 - Extension of Mental Health Prevention and Supported Living Services

<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=28627&PlanId=313>