

Adults and Health Committee

Meeting: Thursday 12th December 2024

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Each decision set out below will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of three full working days after the publication of the decision statement, unless subject to a decision review request [see note on decision review below].

1. Apologies for absence and declarations of interest

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A Costello, substituted by Councillor S Count; and Councillor K Prentice, substituted by Councillor A Bulat.

Councillor C Boden declared an interest in Item 5: Homelessness and Housing Related Support as the Leader of Fenland District Council.

2. Minutes – 10th October 2024 and Minutes Action Log

The minutes of the meeting on 10th October 2024 were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chair. The action log was reviewed and noted.

3. Petitions and public questions

One public question was received from Daniel Fulton, a local resident. A link to the question and the response, when available, will be published on the [meeting webpage](#).

There were no petitions.

4. Strategic Report

It was resolved to:

- a. scrutinise the content of the report; and
- b. support the development of principles and next steps to expanding accommodation to meeting the current and future shortfall in accommodation for working age adults with complex needs.

Key decisions

5. Homelessness and Housing Related Support

It was resolved to:

- a) note the County Council's contribution to investing in a system based approach to delivering support services to address the needs of those who are experiencing homelessness, and how this positively impacts this group of people.
- b) approve a 2-year extension to the existing contract in line with current terms and conditions at a total value of £4,582,926 (£2,291,463 per annum) from 1st April 2025. This value will be adjusted for any future inflationary uplifts, awarded at the Council's discretion, as agreed through the business planning governance process.
- c) delegate the authority to award the subsequent extension period to the Executive Director Adults, Health and Commissioning, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Adults and Health Committee.

6. Extra Care Contract Extensions

It was resolved to:

- a) approve a 2-year contract extension from 1st April 2025 at a value of £1,662,354 (£831,177 per annum) for Ditchburn Place, which will be adjusted for any future inflationary uplifts and awarded at the Council's discretion. This includes formal contract variation to reflect the need to harmonise Terms and Conditions for TUPE staff.
- b) approve a 3-year contract extension from 1st April 2025 at a value of £3,578,556 (£1,192,852p per annum) for Baird Lodge, Eden Place, Millbrook House and Ness Court (Baird Lodge et al), which will be adjusted for any future inflationary uplifts and awarded at the Council's discretion.
- c) delegate the authority to award the subsequent extension periods and contract variations on both contracts to the Executive Director Adults, Health and Commissioning in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Adults & Health Committee.

Other decisions

7. Adults, Health and Commissioning Business Planning Audit

It was resolved to note the contents of the audit report and remedial actions undertaken.

8. Finance Monitoring Report

It was resolved to:

- a) note the Adults, Health and Commissioning Finance Monitoring Report as at the end of October 2024.
- b) note the update on Adult Social Care debt.

9. Application of Adults Social Care Charges Review

It was resolved to:

- a) support the 17 recommendations set out in Appendix 2 and summarised in Section 3 of the report.
- b) provide regular updates through Spokes meetings on the implementation of the recommendations.

10. Adults Performance Monitoring Report – Quarter 2 2024/25

It was resolved to note the performance information and act, as necessary.

11. Public Health Performance Monitoring Report – Quarter 2 2024/25

It was resolved to:

- a) acknowledge the performance and achievements.
- b) support the actions undertaken where improvements are necessary.

12. Adults, Health and Commissioning Risk Register Update

It was resolved to note the updated Adults, Health and Commissioning Risk Register, which includes Public Health.

13. Adults and Health Committee agenda plan, training plan and appointments

It was resolved to review and comment on the committee agenda plan and training plan.

Health Scrutiny

14. Urgent and Emergency Care

It was resolved to delegate authority to the Democratic Services Officer, in consultation with Committee Spokes, to produce a summary of the Committee's feedback and any recommendations, and send these to the relevant parties.

15. Health Scrutiny Work Programme

The health scrutiny work programme was noted.

16. Health Scrutiny Recommendations Tracker

The health scrutiny recommendations tracker was noted.

Notes:

- (a) Statements in **bold type** indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting.
- (b) Requests for review of a decision can be made as indicated below:-
 - (i) At least nine members of the Strategy, Resources and Performance Committee to initiate a review of a decision taken by a Policy and Service Committee.
 - (ii) The request must be submitted in writing to the Monitoring Officer or Chief Executive before the expiry of three full working days from the date on which the decision notice was published.

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