

Adults and Health Committee Decision Statement

Meeting: Thursday 9 December 2021
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Each decision set out below will come into force, and may then be implemented at 9.30am on the fourth full working day after the publication date, unless it is subject of a decision review by nine full members of the Strategy and Resources Committee [see note on decision review below].

1. Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from Councillor Bird, substituted by Councillor Goodliffe.

Councillor Graham Wilson declared an interest in item 4 as his wife worked at a COVID vaccination centre.

Councillor Howell declared an interest in item 7, as he was a friend of the presenting officer. However he stated this would not impact his decision making or scrutiny. No declarations of interest were made.

2. Minutes – 14 October 2021 and Action Log

The minutes of the Adults and Health Committee meeting held on 14 October 2021 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair. The action log was noted.

3. Petitions and Public Questions

There were no petitions or public questions.

4. Update on Enhanced Response Area Status

It was resolved unanimously to:

Provide support for measures in place as an Enhanced Response Area.

5. Adult Social Care Self-Assessment

It was resolved unanimously to:

- a) Note the findings of the self-assessment.
- b) Approve the public facing 'Local Account' for publication.

6. Day Opportunities for Older People and Physical Disabilities

It was resolved unanimously to:

- a) Recommend approval of grant extensions for Older People/Physical Disability Day Services as shown in Appendix 2 for 24 months. The total value for the 24-month period is £1,338,620.
- b) Note the approach to the transformation of Day Services for Older People and Learning Disabilities.

7. Accommodation Based Supported Living Service for People With Moderate to Severe Mental Health Needs in Cambridgeshire – Exemption Request

It was resolved unanimously to:

Recommend that the 'Accommodation Based Supported Living Service for People with Moderate to Severe Mental Health Needs in Cambridgeshire' is exempted for a period 15 months from 1/4/2022 to 30/6/2023 for a total value of £1,005,449.65.

8. Adult Social Care Transport Tendering

It was resolved unanimously to give approval to:

- a) The general procurement approach for a contract value of £8.1m over four years;
- b) Procuring transport provider in line with the recommended option as set out in paragraph 2.2; and
- c) Delegate the award of the new contract to the Executive Director of People and Communities.

9. Additional Homecare Block Provision for Winter Pressures

It was resolved unanimously to:

Award a 12 month contract to an existing provider, who have been able to guarantee the Council a total of 85,176 homecare hours, at a total cost of £1,622,790 **subject (given the potential non-compliance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as detailed in paragraph 4.2) to no relevant challenge having been received within ten days of publication of a Voluntary Ex-Ante Transparency notice detailing this award on the Find a Tender Service website.**

URGENT ITEM Allocation of Infection Control, Rapid Testing, Vaccination and Workforce Recruitment and Retention Funding in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

It was resolved unanimously to:

Approve the recommended allocation of the discretionary elements of the Infection Control, Rapid Testing, Vaccination and Recruitment and Retention Grants which have been issued by central government on a one-off basis to cover spend between the 1st October 2021 and 31st March 2022 where this falls in line with grant conditions set.

10. Finance Monitoring Report – October 2021/22

It was resolved by a majority to:

- a) Review and comment on the relevant sections of the People and Communities and Public Health Finance Monitoring Report as at the end of October 2021;
- b) Endorse for approval by Strategy and Resources Committee, the transfer of £2m from the current year underspend in the Adults and Safeguarding Directorate to the Adult Social Care risk reserve to mitigate against future pressures arising in 2022-23 and beyond;
- c) Review the current position on Public Health reserves and endorse, for approval by Strategy and Resources Committee, proposals for the use of uncommitted reserves totalling £2.9m; and
- d) Note the approved waivers from full contract procedure rules that have been granted in the Public Health Directorate during the exceptional circumstances of the covid pandemic.

11. Review of Draft Revenue Business Planning Proposals for 2022-2027

It was resolved unanimously to:

- a) Note the progress made to date and next steps required to develop the business plan for 2022-2027.
- b) Comment on the budget and savings proposals that are within the remit of the Committee as part of consideration of the Council's overall Business Plan.
- c) Note the updates to Fees and Charges for 2022-23

12. Adult Social Care and Public Health Performance Key Performance Indicators

Item deferred.

13. Adults and Health Committee Agenda Plan and Training Plan

Item deferred.

14. a) Healthwatch Primary Care Intelligence

It was resolved to note the contents of the report.

b) Primary Care Access

It was resolved to note the contents of this report and the actions taken by Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Clinical Commissioning group to improve access to GP Services across Cambridgeshire and to support Primary Care to manage the demands on their services over the winter period.

15. CPFT Occupational Therapy Service Waiting Lists

The Committee reviewed the report.

16. East of England Ambulance Service Report

The Committee resolved to note and comment on the report.

Note:

a) Statements in larger type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting.

(b) Requests for review of a decision can be made as indicated below:- a. At least 9 full members of Strategy and Resources Committee to initiate a review of a decision taken by a Policy and Service Committee. b. The request must be submitted in writing to the Monitoring Officer or Chief Executive before the expiry of 3 full working days after the decision has been published and shall specify the reason(s) why the decision should be reviewed.

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