

London Borough of Bromley

PART 1 - PUBLIC

**Briefing for Care Services Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee
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CONTRACT ACTIVITY 2016/17

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 Executive and Resources Policy Development and Scrutiny (E&R PDS) Committee reviews contract registers for all departments. The appendix to this report sets out all the Care services contracts valued at £50,000 and over and updates Members on actions taken on those contracts which are identified as high and medium risk.
- 1.2 This report covers all contracts in the Care Services Portfolio. Education contracts are reported separately to the Education Select Committee (formerly Education PDS Committee).

2. THE BRIEFING

- 2.1 Appendix 1 is an extract from the Corporate Contracts Register which was reviewed by E&R PDS on 7th September 2016. For ease of reference this appendix has been sorted by contract end date. There are 110 Care Services contracts with a value of £50,000 or more listed in this appendix.
- 2.2 Commissioners have already considered the actions required as a result of the contracts which appear on the register and a programme of work is in place to ensure that pre-tender planning and procurement processes will be completed on time and reported as required. This work will result in a number of significant contract awards which will be reported to the Portfolio Holder and Executive as appropriate.
- 2.3 The Contracts Register is used as the basis for Procurement Team and Officer work plans.
- 2.4 A traffic light system is used to assess the current status of each project and any projects with red status are tracked and reported to fortnightly divisional management team meetings. The Corporate Commissioning Board reviews the register quarterly. Commissioners and Procurement and Contract Compliance staff implement recovery plans for projects with red status alerts in order to mitigate all risks and to ensure that the department operates within financial regulations.
- 2.5 22 contracts in Appendix 1 were flagged red (high risk) and 11 were flagged as amber (medium risk) when the report was considered by E&R PDS. Actions taken by officers to mitigate these risks are outlined in the paragraphs below.

2.6 Contracts Flagged RED – High Risk (22)

ECHS No. Contract Title and Narrative

Lines

- 15 to 20 *Older People – Extra Care Housing contracts.*
Tenders were received on 15 August and are being evaluated. Further clarification is being sought on the tenders that have been received. Report to go to CS PDS on 11 October 2016 and Executive on 12th October.
- 23, 56 *Adults - Direct Payments Support Services and Payroll Services.*
Report with future strategy is elsewhere on this agenda. A Procurement exercise will start in September 2016 and authorisation to award contract will be sought in January 2017.
- 25, 26, 28 *Older People - Day Opportunities Transport.*
Business case with options to be reported to Commissioning Board on 19 September 2016.
- 30 *Housing - Move On Packs - Framework for Essential Household Goods Service.*
Update on procurement strategy will be presented to Commissioning Board on 12 September 2016. The recommendation will be that a new framework arrangement will be tendered in order to include a wider range of providers. Authority to proceed to procurement will be sought from Executive in October 2016.
- 35 *Adults - Supporting People - Learning Disabilities.*
Update on procurement strategy will be given to Commissioning Board on 5 September 2016. A one year extension is available and will be recommended. Authority to award contract extension has been delegated to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services.
- 36, 37, 38 *Housing - Block Booking Arrangements.*
Update on procurement activity for temporary accommodation is going to Commissioning Team on September 12th and to Executive in October 2016. Extensions for existing contracts will be sought until DPS is in place.
- 43 *Public Health - NHS Health Checks - Point of Care Testing.*
Report on 'Public Health Commissioning Intentions' to go to CS PDS on 11 October, and Executive on 18 October. Extension of contract recommended.
- 48 to 51 *Domestic Abuse - Bromley Domestic Abuse Support Groups/Safer Bromley Van/Advocacy Project/Perpetrator Programme.*
Update on procurement strategy given to Commissioning Board on 22 August 2016. Gateway report with procurement recommendations to go to Executive on 14th September 2016.
- 54 *Children's Recovery Support Service 1:1 Counselling.*
Existing contract extended to enable review of service specification in light of Ofsted review. Preparation for retendering process now in progress.

2.7 **Contracts Flagged Amber - Medium Risk Contracts (11)**

ECHS No. Contract Title and Narrative

- 10 *Mental Health - Respite at Home Services.*
At CS PDS 16 Aug 2016 a 6 month extension to 31st March 2017 was agreed.
Work now beginning on market engagement.
- 31, 33, 39, *Strategic Partnership Core Funding contracts.*
42, 45, 85 Report setting out the future procurement strategy is elsewhere on this agenda.
- 32, 69, 93 *Public Health - GP SLAs/Family Nurse Partnership/Health Visiting Service.*
Report on 'Public Health Commissioning Intentions' to go to CS PDS on 11
October, and Executive on 18 October.
- 55 *General - Independent NHS Complaints Advocacy Service.*
A report with recommendations on procurement options for this and all other
Advocacy Services will be presented to CS PDS in October 2016.