LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

AWARD REPORT – DIRECT PAYMENTS SUPPORT AND PAYROLL SERVICE CONTRACT

Report: 11. Award Report - Direct Payments Support and Payroll Service Contract Part 1 Report (Further detail in a Part 2 report.)

Decision:

- (1) The contract for the Direct Payments Support and Payroll Service be awarded as per the recommendation in the accompanying Part 2 report; the contract will commence from 8 April 2021 for a period of 5 years with an option to extend for up to two years on a one plus one basis.
- (2) A decision on whether to delegate authority to the Director of Adult Services to approve the extension options, subject to agreement with the Adult Care and Health Portfolio Holder and relevant Officers as determined by the Contract Procedure Rules, be deferred to enable investigation into the circumstances under which such authority is routinely delegated to officers.

Reasons:

The existing contract for the Direct Payments Support and Payroll Service expires on 7 April 2021. Permission to tender was approved by the Executive on 18 September 2019 and the service has been exposed to competition via an OJEU compliant tender.

The report includes all of the information regarding the service and tender that are not considered to be 'commercially sensitive' – further details are included in the Part 2 report.

The proposed decision was considered by Adult Care and Health PDS Committee at a virtual meeting on 24th November 2020 and the Committee supported the proposals. However, the Committee recommended that a decision on whether to delegate authority to extend the contract be deferred to enable investigation into the circumstances under which such authority is routinely delegated to officers, and requested a report to its next meeting in January 2021.

Councillor Colin Smith Leader of the Council

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Date of Decision: 30 November 2020 Implementation Date: 7 December 2020
Decision Reference: Exec 20063

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

LEARNING DISABILITY COMMUNITY PROVISION GATEWAY

Report: LD Community Provision Gateway Report

Decision:

- (1) The position in relation to learning disability community services be noted.
- (2) The proposed move to spot procurement and direct payments for people requiring day activities who are not dependent upon building-based provision from April 2021 be approved.
- (3) The immediate commencement be approved of tendering in relation to the learning disability day service for people with complex needs requiring a building-based service to ensure the minimum possible interruption in service from April 2021, for a proposed three year contract with the option to extend for up to a further two years at an estimated value of £800k per annum (estimated whole life value of £4m), be approved.
- (4) In accordance with 13.1 of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules, the progression of a direct negotiated contract award process to enable the uninterrupted provision of respite services and proposed service changes at 118 Widmore Road with an estimated contract value of £562k per annum be approved.

Reasons:

The Council has a contract in place with the Southside Partnership (also known as Certitude) to provide learning disability supported living and community-based day and respite services. Executive approval was obtained in November 2019 to extend the contract for a period of up to 2 years from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2022. The Council was unable to reach mutual terms to extend the contract as originally intended and subsequent negotiation has resulted in a 6-month extension of the contract to 31 March 2021.

A Gateway report seeking agreement to the commencement of a procurement process in relation to the supported living element of the Southside contract was approved in September 2020 and this service is currently out to tender. In parallel with this, work has progressed to determine options in relation to learning disability community day and respite services. The current contract value of the day and respite elements is approximately £1.74m and £0.56m pa respectively.

The report advises on the outcomes of the work to determine future models for learning disability day and respite provision and seeks approval to commence procurement to ensure continuity of service provision in relation to respite and to minimise service interruption in relation to day services.

The proposed decision was considered by Adult Care and Health PDS Committee at a virtual meeting on 24^{th} November 2020 and the Committee supported the proposals.

Councillor Colin Smith Leader of the Council

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