

CABINET DECISION NOTICE

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At a meeting of the Cabinet held on the 6th April 2022 the following matters were discussed. The decisions of Cabinet are set out below each item along with reasons for the decision and other options considered.

Present: Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)

Councillors Cracknell, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve and S. Swinburn.

DN.142 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from this meeting were received from Councillor Lindley.

DN.143 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received for this meeting.

DN.144 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 9th March 2022 and the special Cabinet meeting on the 16th March 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

DN.145 NHS HEALTH CHECKS

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care seeking approval to re-procure the NHS Health Check Programme.

RESOLVED -

1. That the re-procurement of the NHS Health Check Programme be approved.

- 2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing, to commence an appropriate procurement exercise and deal with all aspects arising, including award and implementation of a new contract for the NHS Health Check Programme.
- 3. That the Assistant Director for Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to complete all legal documentation in connection with the above.

REASONS FOR DECISION - Following the transfer of Public Health from the NHS to Local Authority in April 2013, the NHS Health Check programme is a mandatory public health service that must be commissioned by the local authority. The re-procured service plans to extend the availability of 'predict and prevent' checks to give people information about their health, support lifestyle changes and offer earlier interventions, where appropriate. There are also plans to reach into target communities to reach the most vulnerable people.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – To date, alternative options for the delivery of the NHS Health check programmes to the current methodology have been considered, including investigating the options in terms of digital and community delivery. An options appraisal has been undertaken on future delivery models and an insight phase has been completed. Mapping of current health check uptake against coronary heart disease prevalence has also been undertaken to identify priority areas of need. Under a do nothing option, the contract would be in breach of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 as it has come to the end of its contracted term and requires to be procured again.

DN.146 DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION STAYING CLOSE GRANT

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education seeking approval to accept, if offered grant funding to support young people leaving residential care.

RESOLVED -

- 1. That if awarded, the acceptance of the Department for Education grant for the delivery of the Staying Close project, be approved.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director for People, Health and Care, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education, to deal with all matters arising around service delivery and compliance with conditionality attached to such funding.

3. That the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to complete and execute all legal documentation arising.

REASONS FOR DECISION - To accept the funding from the Department for Education will enable vulnerable young people to continue to access the specialist support of the Staying Close project.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED -

Decline any grant awarded by Department for Education and close down the project

- Would reduce the available housing and support for care experienced young people.
- The NEL Children Looked After Sufficiency Plan sets out the need for the provision available through Staying Close and as such any decision to end the project would put additional demands on the Council to provide similar provision using its own resources.
- Would leave project staff vulnerable to redundancy.

DN.147 CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities providing an update on progress around the Council's existing CCTV capital programme upgrade and seeking approval to invest additional capital.

RESOLVED -

- 1. That the additional capital investment of £1,250,295.00 to be invested into CCTV provision and completion of the procurement process, be approved.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director for People, Health and Care, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities, to award, mobilise and implement CCTV provision and deal with all matters reasonably arising.
- 3. That the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to execute documentation arising.

REASONS FOR DECISION - The additional capital investment is required to enable the CCTV upgrade to be completed incorporating additional camera locations and remote sites enabling the latest digital CCTV technology to be utilised to prevent and detect crime, environmental crime and anti-social behaviour. This in turn will raise public confidence and enhance the personal safety of residents and visitors to the local area.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – The opportunity to phase the essential upgrade of Control Room, Cameras and Transmission System in separate and distinct timeframes has been considered from a technical perspective to determine if this could spread the costs over a longer period of time. Having considered this, it is not possible to phase these elements due to the interdependency on each other.

DN.148 PROCUREMENT OF A CUSTOMER AND SERVICE MANAGEMENT IT PLATFORM

Cabinet considered a report from the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets seeking approval to commence a procurement exercise for a Customer and Service Management Platform.

RESOLVED -

- 1. That the commencement of a procurement exercise for a Customer and Service Management Platform be approved.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets, to deal with all matters leading to and including the award of the contract for the Customer and Service Management Platform together with subsequent mobilisation and implementation.
- 3. That the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to complete and execute all legal documentation in connection with the award.

REASONS FOR DECISION - The decision allows the Council to commence a procurement exercise for the Customer and Service Management Platform and allows the Council to award the contract.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED -

Option 1: Procure Combined CRM Platform (Preferred Option). This is the preferred option due to the outcomes expected from the Council Plan and is a strategic means to developing our application infrastructure.

Option 2: Procure Enterprise Resource Planning Platform. The ERP approach is a visionary aspiration, although pursuing Option 1 and proving the concept of an integrated suite of applications enables us to progress at pace without extensive investment and unquantifiable levels of risk.

Option 3: Procure a rudimentary CRM application with integrations to service management applications. This option fails to make use of newer and scalable software solutions.

Option 4: Remain as is. This option means we do not move forward with our strategic plans, are unable to further mitigate the risks associated with our current operating model and may result in market challenge from suppliers.