



Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Public Health & the Voluntary Sector

***Wednesday, 25 June 2014 at 10:00 am, in Meeting Room 2,
County Hall, New Road, Oxford***

Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on Thursday 3 July 2014 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

Copies of the reports are circulated (by e-mail) to all members of the County Council.

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Note: Date of next meeting: 16 July 2014

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Items for Decision

1. **Declarations of Interest**
2. **Questions from County Councillors**

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am two working days before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

3. **Petitions and Public Address**
4. **Provision of Adult Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services** (Pages 1 - 4)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/060

Contact: Jo Melling, Head of Commissioning – Drugs & Alcohol Tel: (01865) 328664

Report by Director of Public Health (**CMDPHVS4**).

The Council has a statutory obligation to “take such steps as it considers appropriate for improving the health of the people in its area” (s2B National Health Service Act 2006 (“NHS Act 2006”) as amended by s12 Health and Social Care Act 2012). This includes “providing services or facilities for the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of illness” (s 2B (3) (c) NHS Act 2006).

Public Health has a ring fenced budget, and within this an allocation has been made for an Integrated Adult Drug and Alcohol Treatment Service. This information is reported to the Cabinet.

The contracts with the two current providers expire on 31 March 2015 so a decision is required in order to proceed with procurement arrangements.

Costs of commissioning these services is greater than £500,000 and commitment to incur this expenditure has not previously been made by the Council due to existing contracts having been transferred in on 1 April 2013. For this reason incurring of this expenditure for the commissioning of these services is considered a key decision.

The Cabinet Member for Public Health & the Voluntary Sector is RECOMMENDED to approve the incurring of expenditure for the commissioning of Adult Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services and to delegate to the Director of Public Health, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Health and the Voluntary Sector, the authority to determine tenders and contracts in order to secure the provision of services.

5. Smoking Cessation Programme (Pages 5 - 10)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/059

Contact: Rebecca Cooper, Consultant in Public Health Tel: (01865) 328553

Report by Director of Public Health (**CMDPHVS5**).

Smoking is still the single greatest cause of preventable illness and premature death in the UK. Smoking kills nearly 80,000 people each year in England alone. Despite the obvious risks to their health, nearly 15% of adults in Oxfordshire are still smoking and two thirds of them would have become addicted before they were 18. Public Health in Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) is responsible for a programme of work to improve local services to stop smoking. A range of local approaches is needed, particularly the provision of stop smoking services in community settings and targeting hard to reach and higher risk groups.

Public Health has a ring fenced budget, and within this an allocation has been made for smoking cessation services as reported in the financial monthly monitoring reports to cabinet.

Contracts with current providers expire on 31 March 2015, so a decision is required in order to proceed with procurement arrangements. As the costs of commissioning these services are significant with regard to the revenue budget allocated to the Cabinet Member the commissioning of these services is considered a key decision.

Please note that the report itself does not contain exempt information and is available to the public. However, Annex 1 provides additional information on the proposed service model if a commissioning decision is made. This is commercial and sensitive as it contains information that would give potential providers advance knowledge of decisions which should only be released through the formal procurement route. Therefore:

the public should be excluded during consideration of Annex 1 to the report because its discussion in public would be likely to lead to the disclosure to members of the public present of information in the following prescribed category:

- 3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular*

person (including the authority holding that information) and since it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, in that such disclosure would give potential providers advance knowledge of decisions which should only be released through the formal procurement route.

The Cabinet Member for Public Health & the Voluntary Sector is RECOMMENDED to approve the incurring of expenditure for the commissioning of the Smoking Cessation Programme and to delegate to the Director of Public Health, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Health and the Voluntary Sector, the authority to determine tenders and contracts in order to secure the provision of services'.

6. Chill Out Fund 2014/15 - June 2014 (Pages 11 - 66)

Forward Plan Ref: 2014/002

Contact: Ruth Ashwell, Youth, Engagement & Opportunities – Service Manager Tel: (01865) 810649

Report by Youth, Engagement & Opportunities – Service Manager (**CMDPHVS6**).

Oxfordshire County Council believes that YOUTH MATTERS and has set up a fund of £100,000 to support work with children and young people across the County. The fund supports the aspirations of those working with children and young people in Oxfordshire to ensure all children and young people can access positive activities in their leisure-time by 2020.

The Cabinet Member for Public Health & the Voluntary Sector is RECOMMENDED to consider the applications (listed in paragraph 5 of the report) for grant support in the light of the officer recommendation as set out in the applications annexed to the report.
