

Wiltshire Council

Health Select Committee

5 March 2019

Executive Response to the Final Report of the Rapid Scrutiny Exercise: Extension of Specialist Commissioning Contracts for Supported Living, Floating Support and Supported Housing – report

Purpose of the report

1. To present the response of the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Public Protection to the Final Report of the Rapid Scrutiny Exercise: Extension of Specialist Commissioning Contracts for Supported Living, Floating Support and Supported Housing – report (the report can be accessed [here](#)).

Background

2. On 12 December 2018 the Health Select Committee endorsed the Final Report of the Rapid Scrutiny exercise.
3. The Committee resolved to refer the following recommendations to the relevant Cabinet member for response at the Committee's next meeting on 5 March 2019.

Executive response to the Rapid Scrutiny Exercise's recommendations

Recommendation No.1	That the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Public Protection notes the concerns raised by the rapid scrutiny with regards to the timeframe for this work and the "lateness" of the extension request (paragraphs 14 to 16 of the report refer).		
Cabinet member	Cllr Jerry Wickham	Lead Officer	Helen Jones
Executive response	ACCEPTED		
Officers will seek to ensure that requests for extensions are dealt with in a more timely manner			

Recommendation No.2	That the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Public Protection notes the rapid scrutiny exercise's support of the proposal in the Cabinet report for Cabinet to (paragraph 29 refers): I.approve the extension as an exception of the contracts/services detailed at Appendix 1 until 31 August 2019.		
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	II. delegate authority to the Corporate Director with responsibility for Adult Care to approve: a) the required contracts variations to achieve the above within the approved budgets b) award of contracts within the approved budgets following required tender processes.		
Cabinet member	Cllr Jerry Wickham	Lead Officer	Helen Jones
Executive response	ACCEPTED		

Recommendation No.5	That the committee be provided with an update on the model for procurement that would be adopted following this review work, in terms of the “direction of travel” for the contracts, including the feedback from providers and service users and if possible highlighting the main changes from previous contracts (paragraph 23 of the report refers).		
Cabinet member	Cllr Jerry Wickham	Lead Officer	Helen Jones
Executive response	ACCEPTED		
As agreed at the meeting the officer leading on the work would be pleased to do a presentation on the model for procurement, direction of travel and feedback from providers and individuals who use the services at the invitation of the Rapid Scrutiny committee.			

Recommendation No.6	That the committee, either at meetings or through its chair and vice-chair, be kept informed of progress in terms of key milestones being reached on time for the work to be undertaken prior to tender (paragraph 17 of the report refers).		
Cabinet member	Cllr Jerry Wickham	Lead Officer	Helen Jones
Executive response	AMENDED		
Brief factual updates will be provided to the committee, through its Chair and Vice-chair. This will be limited to confirming when key milestones have been reached, as anything else would fall outside the normal procurement process, for the following: a. Timely and effective customer, families, professionals and provider consultation (co-production) b. Accommodation review to be completed c. Co-production to develop service specifications for each service – replacing existing specifications, many of which are outdated and no longer fit for purpose. d. Reviewing of funding models that are both appropriate and affordable for Wiltshire Council to ensure a sustainable provider market.			

Proposal

- To note the executive response to the Final Report of the Rapid Scrutiny Exercise.

Cllr Jerry Wickham, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Public Protection

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