

## **ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH**

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for Health and Wellbeing, Adult Social Care, Adult Safeguarding, Bolton Cares and Public Health.

**MONDAY, 21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY, 2019**

Following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

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| Councillor Cunliffe (as deputy for Councillor Mrs Thomas) | - Executive Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Health |
| Councillor Morgan   | - Major Opposition Spokesperson                           |
| Councillor Hayes (as deputy for Councillor Bagnall)       | - Minor Opposition Spokesperson                           |
| Councillor Hornby   | - Minor Opposition Spokesperson                           |
| Councillor Pattison                                       | - Minor Opposition Spokesperson                           |

### **Officers**

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| Ms H. Lowey   | - Director of Public Health                               |
| Ms R. Tanner  | - Deputy Director of People                               |
| Mr A. Crook   | - Assistant Director, Commissioning                       |
| Mr P. Rankin  | - Assistant Director, Performance, Planning and Resources |
| Ms L. Butcher | - Head of Finance   |
| Ms S. Longden | - Assistant Director - Public Health                      |
| Mrs S. Bailey | - Principal Democratic Services Officer                   |

### **36. MONITORING OF EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS**

The Borough Solicitor submitted a report which provided an update on decisions taken at previous meetings of the Executive Cabinet Member.

**The Executive Member NOTED the report.**

### **37. BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT REVIEW FOR THE APPOINTEESHIP TEAM**

The Interim Director of People submitted a report which sought to:

- extend the range of services provided by the Appointeeship Team to meet changing demands and a growing client base;
- expand the Team to enable it to meet these demands and workloads; and
- introduce charges for the Appointeeship Service.

The report outlined the current background and operation of the Appointeeship which had been in existence since 2017. It provided a facility for service users who either lacked capacity, were at risk of financial abuse or were unable to manage their own financial affairs.

Due to a growing number of service users and the need to provide services that were more appropriate to the circumstances of individuals, the Team was entering a new area which would involve taking on additional responsibilities, extending the range of services offered and the potential to start charging for the services being provided.

In this regard, the structure of the Team had been reviewed in order for it to meet the changes and needs. The key changes were outlined in the report and summarised as follows:

- the introduction of a charging mechanism to help to cover costs as well as ongoing charges for operating the account management system and prepaid cards as they would increase in line with growth in client numbers – the proposed charge rates were detailed; and
- the appointment of an additional Appointeeship Officer at Grade 5.

The report sought approval to undertake a period of consultation with service users, staff, Elected Members and Trades Unions.

**The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED –**

**The proposals contained within the report now submitted for consultation with Trades Unions, staff, Elected Members and key service users on the basis now detailed.**

### **38. BOLTON SAFEGUARDING ANNUAL REPORT**

The Interim Director of People submitted a report which outlined the achievements and performance of the statutory Safeguarding Adults Board in meeting its strategic objectives of protecting adults at risk from abuse, neglect and exploitation.

A full copy of the Annual Report was appended to the report. It demonstrated that there had been continued commitment from the partners to Safeguarding Adults in Bolton with a number of achievements and developments across agencies.

The report also detailed the statutory performance returns that demonstrated the level of Safeguarding activity in Bolton and compared this with national data where this was available.

The report also detailed agency achievements and highlights of commitments to the Safeguarding agenda.

The Board had also identified priorities for the Safeguarding Partnership for 2018-20.

**The Executive Member NOTED the Annual Report for 2017-18 and the priorities of the Board for 2018-2020.**

## **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**The background papers and reports in relation to the following items were considered confidential as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in their exemption outweighs the public interest in their disclosure.**

### **39. FEES REPORT**

The Interim Director of People submitted a report which sought approval for proposals regarding the setting of fee rates for 2019/20 in relation to Adult Social Care.

The report outlined fee increases of £2.7m which were required to meet the rising costs of commissioned providers associated with a rise in the Living Wage, pensions, other inflationary costs and also the rising complexity of care needs in Adult Social Care.

The report stated that the amount of rise was manageable alongside other fee increases outside of the Council's control and increasing Adult Social Care demand pressures.

Appendix A to the report showed all current and proposed fee rates and the costs of such an increase.

**The Executive Member APPROVED –**

**The rates for Adult Social Care, as detailed in the report now submitted.**

**40. URGENT ITEM – TENDER AWARD FOR THE 0-19/25 CHILDREN'S INTEGRATED HEALTH AND WELLBEING SERVICE**

**In accordance with the Local Authority's Executive Arrangements and Access to Information Regulations 2000, the Chairman of the Health Overview and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee had agreed that the following item was urgent and could not reasonably await consideration until the next meeting of the Executive Cabinet Member.**

Further to Minute 59 of the meeting of the Executive Cabinet Member Deputy Leader held on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, the Interim Director of People submitted a report which sought approval to award the contract for the 0-19/25 Children's Integrated Health and Wellbeing Service.

The report advised that the Contract was for the provision of a Children's Integrated Health and Wellbeing Service that included the delivery of the Healthy Child Programme, the Greater Manchester Early Years Delivery Model in partnership with the Start Well service and the provision of Early Speech and Language Support Services.

The report provided details of the tender process and gave an evaluation of the bids received.

The report sought approval to award the Contract to the submission from Bolton NHS Foundation Trust who rated as the highest scoring on the following principles:

- technical ability and experience;
- price;
- presentation of the proposed service model to a panel of children and young people;
- organisational details; and

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- signed declaration.

The Contract period would run over three years from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022 with an option to extend one plus one year.

**The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED –**

**The award of the contract for the 0-19/25 Children's Integrated Health and Wellbeing Service to the Bolton NHS Foundation Trust, for the reasons outlined, and on the basis detailed in the report now submitted.**