

EXTRACT

THE CABINET

MEETING, 11TH NOVEMBER, 2013

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| Councillor Morris | Executive Cabinet Member |
| Councillor Mrs Thomas | Executive Cabinet Member |
| Councillor Peel | Executive Cabinet Member |

Cabinet Members

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| Councillor Adia | Human Resources and Cohesion |
| Councillor J. Byrne | Neighbourhood and Community |
| Councillor D.Burrows | Community Safety and Police |
| Councillor Peacock | Adults |
| Councillor A. Connell | Sports, Libraries, Youth and Culture |
| Councillor McKeon | Schools and Skills |
| Councillor Murray | Looked After Children ,Safeguarding and Early Years |
| Councillor Chadwick | Highways and Transport |
| Councillor Sherrington | Waste ,Recycling and Housing |
| Councillor Zaman | Economy and Regeneration |

Other Members in Attendance

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| Councillor Donaghy | |
| Councillor Greenhalgh | |
| Councillor Mrs Fairclough | |
| Councillor Ashcroft | |
| Councillor Critchley | As deputy for Councillor Morgan |
| Councillor Hayes | |

Officers

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| Mr. S. Harriss | Chief Executive |
| Mr. S. Arnfield | Deputy Chief Executive |
| Mr. K. Davies | Director of Development and Regeneration |
| Ms. M. Asquith | Director of Children's and Adults Services |
| Ms. S. Johnson | Assistant Director |
| Mr. J. Livesey | Assistant Director |
| Ms. L. Ridsdale | Assistant Director |
| Ms. C. Owen | Senior Lawyer |
| Mr. A. Jennings | Democratic Services Manager |

Councillor Morris in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors Bashir-Ismail, Jones and Morgan.

30. MINUTES

The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 14th October, 2013 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

35. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved - That, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraphs 3 and 4 (financial and business affairs and negotiations relating to labour relations matters between the Authority and its employees) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act; 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.

36. ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUALITY ASSURANCE AND IMPROVEMENT TEAM

The Director of Children's and Adult Services submitted a report that sought approval for the establishment of a new Quality Assurance and Improvement Team for the Children's and Adult Services Department.

The function of the new team would be to coordinate a programme of quality assurance inspections of in-house and externally commissioned care services, and to lead a programme of quality improvement activity.

The cost of the new team would be met from existing budgets, through a combination of transferring staff and budget from other service areas or from savings generated by the integration of Children's and Adult Service back office functions, such as Business Support, ICT, Finance and Policy and Performance.

A full Equality Impact Assessment had been undertaken in line with legislation and was considered by the Cabinet in its deliberations.

Resolved – That the creation of a new Quality Assurance and Improvement Team within the Children's and Adult Services Department, including the establishment and transfer of posts as set out in section 4 of the report and the setting of the team budget shown in section 5 of the report be approved.

37. SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICE REVIEW

The Director of Children's and Adult Services submitted a report that set out the results of consultation on proposals to deliver savings of £924,984 and associated operational improvements within the Council's Supported Living Service and sought approval from the Cabinet to implement the final proposals, if practicable.

The Cabinet had agreed proposals to deliver savings of £1.15m and associated operational improvements within the Council's Supported Living Service as a basis for consultation with staff, the Trades Unions and other key stakeholders.

The proposals contributed £1.04 m to the required savings for adult social care within the 2013/15 Council budget.

The report set out the key messages and issues highlighted during the consultation exercise and, taking account of this feedback, a final set of proposals for approval and implementation.

The Council had undertaken a comprehensive consultation exercise about the proposals for change, with the Trades Unions, staff and Service Users and their families. Formal consultation commenced on 29 July 2013 and, at the request of the Trades Unions, was extended to conclude on 4 October 2013.

It was hoped that all parties would work together to ensure that the review was implemented successfully. However, if this was not achievable suitable recommendations were set out in the report.

A full Equality Impact Assessment had been undertaken in line with legislation and was considered by the Cabinet in its deliberations.

Resolved – That the final proposals set out in the report be approved and that the Director of Children's and Adult's Services be authorised to seek the implementation of such and if successful implementation, as described in the report, is not possible then approval in principle is given to the transfer of the remaining in house Supported Living Service to the Council's framework providers under existing procurement provision.

38. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEGRATED HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TEAM

Councillor Adia declared an interest in the following matter being a non-executive director of the board of Bolton NHS Foundation Trust.

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report that set out proposals to establish a Transformation Fund, an Integration Programme Delivery Team, and an Innovation Forum to drive forward urgent changes to the development and delivery of integrated care in Bolton.

Members were reminded of the programme of work being delivered to support Public Service Reform across Greater Manchester, with a particular focus on Troubled Families (Families First), Worklessness and Skills, Early Years, Transforming Justice, and Health and Social Care. The latter represented huge challenges to the organisations involved in delivering health and social care, and in Bolton, specifically to the NHS Foundation Trust (FT), the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the GM West Mental Health Trust, the Council, and GP practices amongst others. These partners faced providing services to an increasingly aging population with diminishing resources. It was therefore considered imperative that significant changes were made to the way these organisations worked together to achieve the twin aims of reduced costs and improved outcomes for people within the system.

A Joint Transformation Group (JTG) had been set up comprising Chief Executives and Senior Officers from the CCG, the Hospital Foundation Trust, the Mental Health Trust and the Council to oversee this major programme of work.

The Joint Transformation Group (JTG) had identified the need for a dedicated resource to deliver the programme of work, given the scale and urgency of the programme. The Joint Transformation Group had identified two requirements to address this requirement and it was proposed to:

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- establish an Integration Programme Delivery Team; and
- create an “Innovation Forum” made up of senior staff seconded on a part time basis (1 day per week) from all the partner organisations involved.

It was also proposed to create a budget, co-funded by the CCG and the Council, to fund the development of projects which would support and accelerate the integration of health and adult social care services.

The report recommended that authority be delegated to the Joint Transformation Group to consider and approve activity funded by the Transformation Fund to enable progress to be made quickly to drive through the required changes.

Members would receive regular updates on the use of the Fund and programme with the Health and Social Care Integration Programme.

Resolved – (i) That the proposed Transformation Fund be approved

(ii) That the establishment of the Integration Programme Delivery Team, to be hosted by the Clinical Commissioning Group be approved.

(iii) That the creation of the Innovation Forum to support the development and delivery of Transformation Fund projects and steer the work of the Programme Team be approved.

(iv) That the Joint Transformation Group be authorised to approve spend on projects developed within the Transformation Fund.

(v) That the establishment of the post of Head of Intermediate Care services be approved.