

WELLBEING

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for Health and Wellbeing, Anti-Poverty and Deprivation, Public Health, Mental Health and Social Care Integration

MONDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 2019

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

Councillor Baines	- Executive Cabinet Member – Wellbeing
Councillor Haworth	- Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Newall	- Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Pattison	- Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Hornby	- Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Wright	- Minor Opposition Spokesperson

Officers

Ms H. Lowey	- Director of Public Health
Ms L. Houghton	- Public Health Programme Manager
Ms L. Butcher	- Head of Finance
Ms. S. Hymes	- Senior Lawyer
Mrs S. Bailey	- Principal Democratic Services Officer

10. 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 Cabinet Member NOTED the report

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The background papers and reports in relation to the following item 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.

11. NATIONAL HIV SAMPLING SERVICE

The Director of Public Health submitted a report which outlined changes to the existing national HIV testing framework and sought permission for Bolton to participate in the self-sampling service from January, 2020.

The report advised that a revised Framework contract for the National HIV Self Sampling Service had been introduced by Public Health England with the new provider delivering this Service from January, 2020.

The report outlined the implications of the various options available to the Council and the associated financial implications if Bolton were to sign up to the new Framework. The risks attached to not being part of the Framework were also highlighted.

The new Framework would enable Bolton to receive the added benefits of the GM HIVE funding and support in order to increase the HIV self-sampling offer Bolton residents. It was noted that there was provision within the new Framework to give three months' notice to terminate the contract. Alternatively, Bolton could choose to review the activity as part of the proposed new sexual health service commission for Bolton or allow the current arrangements to end and to cease being part of the HIV Self-Sampling Service.

The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED –

The delegation of authority to the Director of Public Health to approve the sign up of Bolton to the new Framework for HIV self-sampling Service from January, 2020 on the basis detailed in the report now submitted.