

LEAD MEMBER FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Adult Social Care and Health, Councillor Carl Maynard, on 22 March 2022 at Council Chamber, County Hall, Lewes

Members spoke on the items indicated

Councillor Field - item 7 (minute 45)
Councillor Ungar - items 4 and 7 (minute 42 and 45)

40. DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD MEMBER ON 12 JANUARY 2022

40.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

41. REPORTS

41.1 Copies of the reports referred to below are included in the minute book.

42. DIRECT PAYMENTS SUPPORT SERVICE PROVISION

42.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Adult Social Care regarding a contract extension to the Direct Payments Support Service.

42.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) approve a 24-month extension to the current Direct Payments Support Service contract with People Plus;
- 2) note the commissioning of the Vibrance contract replacement; and
- 3) delegate to the Director of Adult Social Care authority to take all necessary actions to give effect to the implementation of the above contract amendments.

Reason

42.3 The Direct Payments Support Service (DPSS) offer vital provision to support eligible individuals with their Direct Payments to meet their care and support needs. It is important that future DPSSs promote personalised care and self-directed support and this extension will enable the development of the future model

43. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL AND NURSING CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

43.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Adult Social Care regarding revised contractual terms and conditions for the provision of Residential and Nursing Care for Older People.

43.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) approve the contractual changes of the terms and conditions for the provision of residential and nursing care for older people; and

2) 2. delegate authority to the Director of Adult Social Care to take all necessary actions to give effect to the implementation of the above.

Reason

43.3 Clear, concise and current terms and conditions are a key element to a positive contractual relationship with the councils' independent sector providers of residential and nursing care as well as ensuring the delivery of high quality, safe and effective personalised services. The updated documents are necessary to reflect recent changes in legislation and best practice as well as incorporating the collective lessons learnt throughout the Covid-19 pandemic.

44. RECOMMISSIONING OF SPECIALIST SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICES

44.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Public Health regarding the recommissioning of Specialist Sexual Health Services.

44.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) agree to extend the current contract for Specialist Sexual Health Services (SSHS) by at least six months; and
- 2) delegate authority to the Director of Public Health to negotiate and finalise the terms of the extension and to take all necessary actions to give effect to the implementation of recommendation 1.

Reason

44.3 The extension of the current Specialist Sexual Health Services contract will enable (a) a service resource review to be undertaken; and (b) time to reassess the market.

45. LEARNING DISABILITY SUPPORTED LIVING DEVELOPMENTS

45.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Adult Social Care regarding the proposed redevelopment of four existing learning disability services into high quality supported living services.

45.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) approve the proposals to redevelop the following existing services for adults with a learning disability into high quality supported living services, at a total estimated capital cost of £6,420,621:
 - Beckley Close, St Leonards-on-sea, commencing in 2022/23
 - Cregg Na Ba, Battle, commencing in 2022/23
 - Jasmine Lodge, Northiam, commencing in 2023/24
 - Grangemead Annex, Hailsham, commencing in 2023/24
- 2) delegate authority to the Director of Adult Social Care to take all actions necessary to give effect to the above recommendation; and
- 3) delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to take all necessary actions to ensure the appropriate lease property agreements are put in place.

Reason

45.3 There is a need to ensure that a wide range of high quality supported living options are available to adults with a learning disability in East Sussex, alongside improving our relative performance in respect of the proportion of people with a Learning Disability in Settled Accommodation and achieving best value when developing and commissioning services for this cohort. The proposed supported living developments will offer greater choice, control and flexibility for adults with a learning disability, ensuring that personalised support tailored to individual need is provided. This will support better outcomes being achieved for people and their families, maximising independence and offering security of tenure. The approach to care and support is well suited to driving forward the key priority areas in the Council Plan, of helping people to help themselves, as well as making best use of resources with tailored packages of care and support that can be reduced over time as areas of independence are increased.