LEAD MEMBER FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Adult Social Care and Health, Councillor Carl Maynard, on 11 June 2021 at CC1, County Hall, Lewes

++Please note that the Lead Member took the decisions remotely++

Councillors Bob Bowdler and Sam Adeniji spoke on item 4 (see minute 4)

- 1 <u>DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD MEMBER ON 26 JANUARY 2021</u>
- 1.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the decisions made on 26 January 2021.
- 2 <u>DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS</u>
- 2.1 There were no disclosures of interest.
- 3 **URGENT ITEMS**
- 3.1 There were no urgent items.
- 4 <u>COVID OUTBREAK MANAGEMENT FUND (COMF) SUPPORTED</u>
 APPRENTICESHIPS PROPOSAL FOR PEOPLE IN SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION
- 4.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Public Health seeking approval for accessing Covid Outbreak Management Funding (COMF). This funding is to support people living in Supported Accommodation, Temporary Accommodation and those at risk of homelessness, to undertake a Supported Apprenticeship, enabling them to move into independent living.
- 4.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:
- 1. Approve drawing down up to £615,000 COMF funding for the delivery of a Partnership Apprenticeship programme to help some of the most marginalised residents in the county with:
 - accessing learning, work and independent living through Supported Apprenticeships; and
 - improving the availability of Supported and Temporary Accommodation in the county.
- 2. Should this project be effective in supporting 50 Supported Accommodation residents in the first instance, to approve drawing down additional COMF funding of £70,000 per ten additional Apprentices within the allocated timeframe to expand the project, up to an additional value of £350,000 (which would represent an additional 50 Apprenticeships and an additional 50 places in supported housing made available).
- 3 Delegate authority to the Director of Public Health to take any actions necessary in relation to the implementation of the proposals set out in the above recommendations.

Reason

The project addresses COVID recovery and the needs of a vulnerable group of local residents who have been adversely impacted by the pandemic. The funding provides an opportunity to deliver a one-off project that offers training, creates new employment, supports local employers in addressing skills gaps and should free up places in Supported Accommodation at the same time.