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Extension of contract to Turning Point Ltd for the provision of the Community Based Supported Living Service.

Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care.

March 2015

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Cabinet portfolio holder:	Wayne Fitzgerald, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care		
Responsible Director:	Wendi Ogle-Welbourn, Corporate Director for People and Communities		
Is this a Key Decision?	Yes. If yes has it been included on the Forward Plan: Yes Unique Key decision Reference from Forward Plan: KEY/06JAN15/03		
Is this decision eligible for call-in?	Yes		
Does this Public report have any annex that contains exempt information?	No		
Is this a project and if so has it been registered on Verto?	NO Verto number: N/A		

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- Extend the Council's contract with Turning Point Ltd for a 1 year period, 1 April 2015 31
 March 2016, to provide the Community Based Supported Living Service for a value not
 exceeding £1,432,477 excluding VAT.
- 2. To authorise the Corporate Director of People and Communities to negotiate, prepare and complete any necessary contractual documentation.

1. SUMMARY OF MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1 The Turning Point Community Based Supported Living Service contract was awarded by NHS Peterborough on behalf of Peterborough City Council and commenced on 1 April 2011 for an initial 3 year period. The contract had provisions within it to extend it for a further period of up to two years covering the financial years 2014/15 and 2015/16. The contract was extended for the 2014/15 financial year through a Cabinet Member Decision Notice.
- 1.2 The report seeks approval to utilise the contract extension provision to extend the contract with Turning Point for the period of 1 April 2015 to 31 Mach 2016. The contract does not allow for further extensions.

1.3 The Council have worked with Turning Point Ltd to reduce the value of the contract during its term without impacting on the quality of the service provided. The contract value for 2015/16 has been negotiated to reflect the occupancy and support hours required within the service whilst maintaining the enhancements to value for money achieved through the earlier contract extension.

2. PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

2.1 This report is for the Cabinet member for Adult Social Care to consider exercising delegated authority under paragraph 3.4.8 of Part 3 of the Constitution in accordance with the terms of their portfolio at paragraph (b).

3. TIMESCALE

Is this a Major Policy	NO	If Yes, date for relevant	N/A
Item/Statutory Plan?		Cabinet Meeting	

4. DETAILS OF DECISION REQUIRED

- 4.1 The Community Based Supported Living Service contract (CBSLS) was awarded by NHS Peterborough on 1 April 2011 to Turning Point Ltd and provides a supported living service for adults with a learning disability living in 5 separate supported living schemes. The contract was subsequently novated to the Council following the transfer of adult social services to the Council on 1 April 2012. The supported living service was initially established to supported adults with a learning disability to move into supported living from NHS hospital campuses, with support services continued to be provided by NHS organisations.
- 4.2 The Community Based Supported Living Service contract was awarded to Turning Point Ltd for a 3 year period with the option to extend for a further 2 years. The initial 3 year term expired on 31 March 2014 and the Council exercised the option to extend it for the financial year 20114/15 through utilising a Cabinet Member Decision Notice. The Council wishes to utilise the final contract extension option to extend the contract by the one year for the financial year 2015/16.
- 4.3 Peterborough City Council and Turning Point Ltd have jointly undertaken service development work during the term of the contract with the intention of further improving the provision of person centred support services provided to those living within the service and enhancing value for money.
- 4.4 The extension of the contract for one year will provide the opportunity to further embed the service improvements and enhancements to value for money. At the end of the contract term the Council will be required to either tender the contract on a service by service basis utilising the Homecare Contract or retender the contract as one entity.

5. CONSULTATION

5.1 As a contract extension no formal consultation has been undertaken with service users or family carers, however extensive consultation and engagement with service users and their families was undertaken to inform the tendering and award of the current Turning Point Ltd contract. Consultation and engagement at this time involved service users and family carers undertaking site visits on those contractors short-listed to submit proposals through the competitive dialogue procurement exercise and a family carer sitting on the panel interviewing contactors prior to their tender submission.

5.2 An Equality Impact assessment has not been undertaken as there are no changes to the availability or scope of the support service being made available to service users within the contract extension period

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

6.1 The one year contract extension with Turning Point Ltd will support the embedding of service improvements to the provision of person centred support services and allow the Council to continue to benefit from the enhanced value for money achieved through the term of the contract. As a consequence of service improvements service users will have greater choice and control over their lives within the constraints imposed of living within shared housing services, and enhanced value for money will be embedded in the service. Service improvements and enhanced value for money have been achieved without detriment to the quality and availability of the support service to service users.

7. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS & ANY RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 7.1 The council and Turning Point Ltd have during the term of the current contract worked on service improvements and enhanced value for money, and the contract extension will support the embedding of these objectives.
- 7.2 As all service users within the service are eligible for community care services, the contract will enable the council to fulfil its statutory duties with regard to the National Assistance Act 1948 and subsequent legislation.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 The option of re-tendering the contract at the end of its fixed term was considered and rejected as there is on-going service development work being undertaken between Peterborough City Council and Turning Point Ltd to further improve the service and embed value for money initiatives introduced previously. Undertaking a re-tender and potentially changing the service provider would be a detriment to this service development work and embedding enhanced value for money initiatives.

9. IMPLICATIONS

9.1 If approval to award the one year contract extension to Turning Point Ltd is not approved there will be insufficient time to undertake a procurement exercise to comply with the council's contract rules before the current contract ends on 31 March 2015. As the Council has a statutory duty to provide services to the people within the service, temporary approval under emergency regulations will be sought whilst a procurement exercise is undertaken.

10. DECLARATIONS / CONFLICTS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

None

11. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None.