

Extension of the Integrated Sexual Health Service Contract
Councillor Diane Lamb Cabinet Member for Public Health
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Cabinet portfolio holder: Responsible Director:	Councillor Diane Lamb Cabinet Member for Public Health 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/26JUN15/02
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R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

1. Approve the expenditure for the extension of the contract with Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust for the provision of the Integrated Sexual Health Service for an additional two years until 30 June 2019. The total cost for the additional two years is £2,751,399.00 (£1,375,699.50 for each of the additional years).

1. SUMMARY OF MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1 This report seeks the Cabinet Member's approval for the expenditure for the extension of the contract with Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust for the provision of the Integrated Sexual Health Service until 30 June 2019.

2. PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

- 2.1 This report is for the Cabinet Member for Public Health to consider exercising delegated authority under paragraph 3.4.8(a) of Section 3 – Executive Functions of the constitution in accordance with the terms of her portfolio at paragraphs (a) and (i) principally – *'Public Health functions of the Council, including all matters specifically provided by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and related legislation'* and *'Sexual health services'*.

3. **TIMESCALE**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting	N/A
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4. **DETAILS OF DECISION REQUIRED**

- 4.1 The Council and Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust entered into a contract for the provision of an Integrated Sexual Health Service with a contract term of 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2017. The contract contains an option to extend the term by a further period of two years. MAR14/CMDN/26 provided authority for the Council to enter into the contract and also authorised the option to extend the contract for a further 2 years up to 30 June 2019.
- 4.2 The Council is required to issue an extension to the contractor in respect of the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2019. The purpose of this report is to approve expenditure for the extension of the contract for the provision of these services.
- 4.3 It is noted that whilst authority was given in MAR14/CMDN/26 for an extension of the contract for a further period of 2 years, the contract value for extension between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2019 was not included in the original CMDN. The expenditure for the extension of provision of these services between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2019 is £2,751,399.00 (£1,375,699.50 for each of the additional years).
- 4.4 The purpose of this report is to ensure the contract extension value is authorised and that the Council complies with the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014.

5. **CONSULTATION**

- 5.1 Consultation is key to the continued successful commissioning of services. Consultation has been undertaken with service providers, key stakeholders, including Public Health England.

6. **ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES**

- 6.1 The provision of these services will continue until 30 June 2019.

7. **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS & ANY RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 7.1 The contract provides that the Council may extend the term of the contract by a further period of two years up to 30 June 2019. The Council will continue to contract with Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust for the provision of these services for the extended period of two years until 30 June 2019 for a total extension value of £2,751,399.00.
- 7.2 Since 1 April 2013, local authorities have a statutory duty to commission most sexual health services as part of their wider public health responsibilities.
- 7.3 The current integrated community sexual health services have enabled service users to have all of their sexual health and contraceptive needs met in one place by one clinician wherever possible. This has proven to be more convenient for local residents and normalised STI testing and treatment.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 Not to extend the contract and re-procure the service. This would not represent value for money as the option to extend the existing contract has already been authorised and avoids the need for the additional expense of re-procurement and a potentially higher cost of the service if re-procured. In addition any change in service provider could affect continuity of service for service users.
- 8.2 To extend the contract for a further period of 2 years and rely on the original CMDN, MAR14/CMDN/26 which, although authorises the option to extend the contract by a further period of 2 years, does not specifically authorise the value of the extension period.

9. IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Financial Implications

- 9.1.1 The contract extension is for a value of £2,751,399.00 between the extension period of 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2019. This will be funded from the Public Health grant.

9.2 Legal and procurement implications

- 9.2.1 Statutory duties for public health were conferred on local authorities by the Health and Social Care Act. Since 1 April 2013, local authorities have a statutory duty to commission most sexual health services as part of their wider public health responsibilities.
- 9.2.2 The existing contract was procured by means of a fully compliant procurement process for a period of three years with an option to extend for a further two years. MAR14/CMDN/26 authorised the award of the contract together with the additional two year extension and therefore, notwithstanding that MAR14/CMDN/26 omitted to include the extension value, there are no adverse procurement consequences as a result of granting the two year extension.

10. DECLARATIONS / CONFLICTS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

None.

11. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985) and The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

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