

<b>DECISION TITLE: Framework Agreement for provision of Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation – authority for Peterborough City Council to call-off the framework</b>
<b>ENTER NAME OF CABINET MEMBER EXERCISING DELEGATED POWERS: Cllr Fitzgerald, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Integrated Adult Social Care, Health and Public Health</b>
<b>ENTER MONTH IN WHICH DECISION IS BEING TAKEN; DECEMBER 2020</b>
<b>Deadline date:</b> December 2020

Cabinet portfolio holder: Responsible Director:	Councillor Fitzgerald, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Integrated Adult Social Care and Health and Public Health Wendi Ogle-Welbourn
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/20JUL20 /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

### R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

1. Approve the Council’s call-off requirement from the Framework Agreement for provision of Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation, as required, between the date this CMDN becomes effective and 30 June 2025. The total value of call-off contracts during the life of this framework is estimated to be a total of £4,269,220.00.

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

- 1.1 This report is for the Cabinet Member for Integrated Social Care, Health and Public Health to consider exercising delegated authority under paragraph 3.4.3 of Part 3 of the constitution in accordance with the terms of their portfolio at paragraph (b)

## 2. **TIMESCALES**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	<b>NO</b>	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	
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## 3. **BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES**

3.1 During 2018/19, work was undertaken to review the arrangements for mental health accommodation providers and autism accommodation based services. The current provision across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough comprises of a range of providers with a mix of spot purchase and block contracted arrangements.

The review established the following gaps and challenges:

- Differing and inconsistent arrangements between providers
- Limited ways to contract with new providers to the market
- Historic arrangements with no common monitoring or performance oversight
- Difficult to track spend and forecast need
- Out of county placements required to ensure need is met
- No long term strategic approach to accommodation services and development of capacity and models
- Opportunity to link up Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council contracting arrangements
- The current Learning Disability accommodation frameworks and associated service specifications do not include a provision for Mental Health placements.

3.2 A procurement approach was developed for a Mental Health/Autism Accommodation Framework for Adults which will address these issues and also include Supported Accommodation to meet the needs of complex, high-risk service users, increase geographical presence and provide provision for Adults with a diagnosis of Autism.

3.3 Subsequently, Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Peterborough City Council procured a Framework for Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation provision across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. This was commissioned to ensure consistency of provision across the area, not only to address the current financial climate and population growth but also to ensure that services are streamlined to work closely together to provide the most effective provision in a timely manner. This will support service users to continue to access to the most appropriate Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation solution.

3.4 Cambridgeshire County Council were the Lead Authority throughout the procurement and have entered into a Framework Agreement with the successful bidders to provide an Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation service to all authorised users of the Framework. Peterborough City Council and the CCG are authorised users and may call-off the framework in accordance with the terms of the Framework Agreement and any subsequent call-off contract.

3.5 This Framework also supports the following aims:

- Clearly defines the needs of Residential and Supported Accommodation for both standard and complex support

- Ability to add new providers to the local delivery pathway on a regular basis
- Enable regular development of the market
- Call off terms and conditions specified i.e. cost, geography, Service User preference
- Clarity of available provision which meets the Councils' requirements for quality and price

3.6 The Framework Agreement offers the following Lots for Peterborough City Council to call-off:

- 1) Lot 1a Supported accommodation (mental health);
- 2) Lot 1b Supported accommodation (autism);
- 3) Lot 2a Supported accommodation — complex needs (mental health);
- 4) Lot 2b Supported accommodation — complex needs (autism);
- 5) Lot 3 Residential accommodation (autism only).

3.7 The providers awarded a place on each Lot within the Framework Agreement were all evaluated as suitably experienced providers who can demonstrate knowledge and experience in the provision of mental health and autism (Adults) supported accommodation and residential placements across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

3.8 The indicative spend by Peterborough City Council via call-off contracts for Mental Health under these support types over the duration of the Framework Agreement is £4,269,220. Cambridgeshire and Peterborough CCG will also provide a financial contribution where individuals are subject to S117 joint funding responsibility.

#### **4. CONSULTATION**

4.1 The SUN Network (Mental Health) and Speak Out Council (Autism) have carried out engagement with Service Users currently living in Supported Accommodation and Residential settings to establish a Service User view on support available within accommodation services and the promotion of positive mental well-being and improved resilience and independence.

Soft Market Testing and a Provider Engagement event have also been carried out to help inform the development of the procurement and to ensure that the market was able to respond appropriately to the opportunity.

#### **5. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT**

5.1 The aim of the procurement was to meet the current and future needs of people with mental health problems or a diagnosis of Autism who require supported accommodation or residential services. In addition the procurement will provide:

- additional provision to the current offer for individuals with complex needs
- increase geographic equity
- improve Service User choice

The Framework Agreement between Cambridgeshire County Council and the successful bidders shall provide an Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation service to all authorised users of the Framework. Peterborough City Council is an authorised user of the Framework, therefore may call-off the framework in accordance with the terms of the Framework Agreement and any subsequent call-off contract.

## **6. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

6.1 The recommendation to authorise Peterborough City Council's requirement to call-off the Framework for the Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation service is made on the following factors:

- Improve service delivery and individual outcomes for people with a range of mental health/autism needs in Peterborough
- Deliver a clear contracting arrangement between providers and Peterborough City Council
- Ensure a strategic approach to the market which provides the opportunity for review and growth
- Ensuring there is enough local provision to enable the Council's statutory duties to be discharged under the Care Act

## **7. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

7.1

Alternative options considered:

- 1) Do nothing – to continue with current arrangements  
Rejected – Current arrangements are inconsistent across providers and did not enable new providers to enter the market easily with new accommodation offers. Strategic commissioning would be more difficult with a range of individual and inconsistent arrangements.

## **8. IMPLICATIONS**

### **Financial Implications**

8.1 The Framework aims to provide a contracting mechanism for Accommodation providers. This will enable a clear contracting arrangement with a range of providers but will not commit the Council to any additional expenditure. Individual call-offs from the Framework will be based on needs and Care Act Assessment. There may be efficiencies through the increased capacity within the local market to prevent any out-of-county placements or placement within Complex Supported Accommodation rather than in a more costly residential placement.

### **Legal Implications**

8.2 Peterborough City Council are listed as authorised users of the Framework for the provision of the Adult Mental Health and Autism Supported Living and Residential Accommodation service, therefore may call-off the Framework as required and in accordance with the call-off process. Subsequent to any individual call-off requirement, relevant call-off terms shall be entered into between Peterborough City Council and the provider selected within the required Lot. Peterborough City Council shall be responsible for the placement and payments for each individual.

### **Equalities Implications**

8.3

- This service is designed to support those who require support under the Care Act 2014.
- The service will aim to improve equality and consistency of access to services for people with mental health needs and an autism diagnosis.

## **Carbon Impact Assessment**

8.4 Assessment completed with minimal carbon impact. Assessment approved by Transport and Environment Team.

## **9. DECLARATIONS / CONFLICTS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS GRANTED**

9.1 There are none.

## **10. 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.

10.1 None

## **11. APPENDICES**

11.1 There are none.