

# **CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

## **Decision:**

Provision of User Led Organisations (ULO) hubs in Surrey

### **(i) Details of decision**

It was agreed that:

1. The information relating to the commissioning process, as set out in this report, be noted; and
2. The award of two grants to Surrey Disabled People's Partnership (SDPP) and Surrey Independent Living Council (SILC) for eighteen months is agreed. The Grant Agreements would be awarded from 1 October 2014.
3. That the design and layout of existing and future Hubs have a uniformity of design and appearance so as to present a common face to the residents of Surrey.

### **(ii) Reasons for decision**

One of the strategic aims of the County Council and a major requirement of the forthcoming Care Act is to provide universal information and advice. This will help people to make informed choices about accessing available care, support and other services, to enable them to have equality of access and opportunity and to live independently in the community. User Led Hubs support the delivery of this, across Surrey by providing access to advice and information to help people live independent lives.

There is a further expectation from Government that Local Authorities will develop and work in partnership with User Led Organisations (ULOs).

It is advantageous and a natural conclusion to combine the above expectations from Government and award the grants to Surrey based ULOs to manage the Hubs to provide information and advice. Both recommended providers are well established Surrey based ULOs.

### **(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected**

None.

### **(iv) Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report**

That an updated EIA be circulated by 15 July 2014.

## **Conflicts of Interest and any Dispensations Granted**

**(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded and any dispensations granted by the Audit and Governance Committee)**

None.

## **Decision taken by:**

(i) **Name:** Mel Few

(ii) **Portfolio:** Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Decisions

**Date of Decision:** 09 July 2014

**Date of Publication of Record of Decision:** 9 July 2014

**Date decision effective (i.e. 5 working days after date of publication of record of decision unless subject to call-in by the Adult Social Care Select Committee):**  
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