

Record of decision taken under delegated powers by a council officer



Title:	APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT VARIATION UNDER REGULATION 72(5) TO THE CONTRACT 'MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL TREATMENT DRUG AND ALCOHOL'
Divisions Affected:	All
Key Decision:	No
Reason Key:	Over £500,000 / Affects two or more Divisions
Decision taken under delegation by virtue of:	Scheme of Delegation Part 2 – General Delegation to Officers / Procurement Standing Orders

Summary

The needs assessment process undertaken during 2015, 2016 and 2017 highlighted key areas that should be continued and those where the treatment experience, quality and outcomes for individuals accessing support for substance misuse in Surrey should be improved. These are highlighted below:

1. Open access to treatment
2. Single clinical governance and Quality management across treatment systems
3. Improved care pathways and coordination of care
4. Successful treatment outcomes for service users, families and carers
5. Sustainable recovery post treatment via mutual aid, self-help and work and social reintegration.

The assessment process undertaken included an options appraisal in which a variety of commissioning and procurement solutions, including tendering for new provision, were reviewed. Adding a variation to include Tier 2 into the existing contract was considered to be the most effective outcomes focussed solution which will contribute to improving each of these key areas as highlighted above.

Therefore to meet and improve each of these key areas we intend to vary the current extended contract under Regulation 72(5) to include Tier 2 treatment.

Decision made

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It was AGREED that the contract variation under Regulation 72(5) to the contract 'Medical and Psychological treatment drug and alcohol' to include Tier 2 treatment be approved.

Reasons for Decision:

To maintain current levels of treatment quality and sustainable recovery for individuals using substance misuse services.

Access to substance misuse treatment is a response to multiple and complex needs, which frequently results in service users who are often in contact with multiple tiers of treatment at one time rather than progressing sequentially through tiers 2, 3 and 4, to maintain the existing high quality management within an integrated treatment service it is crucial that all 3 tiers are provided with a singular clinical and quality managed service that delivers effective evidenced based care pathways.

Decision taken by:	Ross Duguid, Acting Assistant Director Procurement
Decision taken on:	12 September 2017
To be implemented on:	12 September 2017

Summary of any financial implications

The Surrey Public Health budget is under considerable strain from a combination of below-target funding and national cuts to the Public Health grant. Ultimately, this means that by 2019/20, the overall budget available to spend on core public health programmes will be 30% less than it was at the start of 2015/16. In order to achieve this saving, the Substance Misuse Treatment budget has been reduced by 24%.

Declarations of conflicts of interest

None.

Consultation/Process Followed

Procurement and Service have consulted with Acting Assistant Director Procurement, the Cabinet Member for Health and the Strategic Director for Adult Social Care and Public Health, the Director of Finance, as well as Legal Services.

Background Documents

Decision report	Exempt: Yes
Options Analysis	Yes