

Report to:	SINGLE COMMISSIONING GROUP
Date:	17 January 2017
Officer of Single Commissioning Board	Clare Watson, Director of Commissioning
Subject:	CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION
Report Summary:	The report seeks permission to extend the current contract for up to twenty four months from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2019 as allowed for within contract clause 3.2.
Recommendations:	That authorisation is given to extend the current contract for up to twenty four months.
Financial Implications: (Authorised by the statutory Section 151 Officer & Chief Finance Officer)	<p>The budget provision for this contract is within the Section 75 agreement of the Integrated Commissioning Fund (ICF). It should be noted that the Single Commissioning Board will make decisions on the Section 75 funding which are binding upon the CCG and the Council.</p> <p>The 2016/17 budget provision is £0.559m. The contract was subject to a 15% reduction in 2016/17 from the previous value of £0.660m. Ongoing dialogue with the provider has enabled them to absorb this by supporting people to live more independently and delivering care in a more cost effective way.</p> <p>Whilst the finance team support this proposal, it is important that the focus remains on recovery and rehabilitation aimed at equipping service users with the life skills necessary to live independently. This will avoid more expensive residential placements and/or hospital admissions.</p> <p>Work will continue with the provider to identify effective and efficient ways of delivering the service whilst meeting future financial challenges which will include increases in National Living Wage rates.</p>
Legal Implications: (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)	<p>The contract was procured in accordance with the requirements in the Procurement Standing Orders and Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and included provision to extend. It would not be unlawful to extend the contract as proposed.</p> <p>As it is envisaged this service will ultimately transfer to the Integrated Care Organisation the extension should be contingent upon the relevant novation clause be included in the draft contract document and the provider advised of this intention to ensure a smooth transition at the appropriate time.</p>
How do proposals align with Health & Wellbeing Strategy?	The proposals align with the Developing Well, Living Well and Working Well programmes for action
How do proposals align with Locality Plan?	<p>The service is consistent with the following priority transformation programmes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enabling self-care; • Locality-based services; • Planned care services.

How do proposals align with the Commissioning Strategy?

The service contributes to the Commissioning Strategy by:

- Empowering citizens and communities;
- Commission for the 'whole person';
- Create a proactive and holistic population health system.

Recommendations / views of the Professional Reference Group:

PRG approved authority to extend contract as required.

Public and Patient Implications:

None.

Quality Implications:

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council is subject to the duty of Best Value under the Local Government Act 1999, which requires it to achieve continuous improvement in the delivery of its functions, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness.

How do the proposals help to reduce health inequalities?

Via Healthy Tameside, Supportive Tameside and Safe Tameside.

What are the Equality and Diversity implications?

The proposal will not affect protected characteristic group(s) within the Equality Act.

The service will be available to Adults with a learning disability regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religious belief, gender re assignment, pregnancy/maternity, marriage/ civil and partnership.

What are the safeguarding implications?

None.

What are the Information Governance implications? Has a privacy impact assessment been conducted?

The necessary protocols for the safe transfer and keeping of confidential information are maintained at all times by both purchaser and provider.

Risk Management:

There are no anticipated financial risks as the service delivers support in the community to people in their own tenancies and alleviates the potential for the need for more expensive residential or hospital care.

Access to Information :

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Dave Wilson, Team Manager, Single Commissioning Function, by:



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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the permission to extend the contract for up to twenty four months from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2019.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The contract to provide supported accommodation to people recovering from mental health problems was awarded following a restricted tender exercise and commenced 1 April 2014 for a period of three years. The contract includes provision to extend for up to an additional two years.
- 2.2 The contract was awarded to Turning Point and provides 24-hour support across three properties in the Borough; as such, it is an integral part of a comprehensive community-based service. The properties are provided by registered social landlords.
- 2.3 The service is delivered mindful of recovery and rehabilitation principles and is aimed at equipping service users with the life skills necessary to move on to more independent living, whilst reducing the need for more expensive residential placements and/or hospital admissions. The contract works in parallel with a similar CCG-commissioned service, delivered by Richmond Fellowship, and panel of representatives from commissioners and the two support providers manages referrals to ensure the best possible outcomes for individuals.

3. CURRENT SITUATION

- 3.1 Thirty two tenants are supported by Turning Point across three properties as follows:

Property 1, Hyde	7 tenancies 1 short stay/respice The accommodation comprises of individual rooms with some shared facilities such as kitchen, lounge.
Property 2, Newton, Hyde	6 tenancies Bed-sits
Property 3, Hyde	20 tenancies 10 x self-contained flats 4 x female-only project (3 x room with shared facilities, 1 x self-contained flat) 6 x 24-hour extra care (3 x room with shared facilities, 3 x self-contained flats)

- 3.2 The Council has worked with Turning Point to review the service over the current term. This has included a review of the respite provision at Property 1 as part of a wider adult service remit. This identified the need to implement a clearer access criteria based on supporting cares to have a break from their caring role. As a result, the number of people requiring this service was reduced and the decision was taken to move from two to one short stay/respice bed and to increase the number of long term tenancies to seven. The second area of development is around Property 2, Newton which has been identified by all partners - New

Charter, Turning Point, Tameside MBC - as not fit for purpose in the long term. Discussions have commenced to establish the notice required to the landlord in line with the housing management agreement, working with tenants to move on and how the levels of service offered to Lyne View will be utilised within the contract, i.e delivering community support.

- 3.3 Performance monitoring for both contracts has reported a high level of satisfaction from both commissioners, people who are supported by the service and families. In addition, the providers have had a number of successes in supporting people's recovery journey and a move to general let tenancies with community mental health team support.

4. FINANCIAL APPRAISAL

- 4.1 The current contract price for the year 2016/17 is £558,800.
- 4.2 The previous contract price for this contract had been circa £660,000.
- 4.3 Work will continue with Turning Point to identify effective and efficient ways of delivering the service whilst meeting financial challenges especially in relation to future living wage guidance.

5. RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 As set out on the front of the report.