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ITEM FOR DECISION BY CABINET

21 CHANCES 4 CHANGE PROJECT BIG LOTTERY WELLBEING FUNDING

Report of the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care seeking to accept receipt of £241,941 for the Council's share of a joint Lottery Funded bid for a two year project 'Chances 4 Change'.

Note: This item is presented having complied with the requirements of Rule 16 (urgency) of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Monday, 19 August 2013

HEAD OF LEGAL, HR AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

DECISION-MAKER:		CABINET				
SUBJECT:		CHANCES 4 CHANGE PROJECT BIG LOTTERY WELLBEING FUNDING				
DATE OF DECISION:		20 AUGUST 2013				
REPORT OF:		CABINET MEMBER HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE				
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY	
None	

BRIEF SUMMARY

To approve the receipt of £241,941 for Southampton City Council's share of a joint Lottery Funded bid with Portsmouth for a two year project 'Chances 4 Change' (C4C). Portsmouth City Council is the lead organisation. The Chances 4 Change project provides funding around health literacy, mental health, physical activity and healthy eating for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BME) groups (migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, trafficked individuals). This project picks up gaps in existing provision.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Having complied with the requirements of Rule 16 (urgency) of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules, it is recommended that:

(i) To approve the acceptance of this funding (£241,941) to be managed by the Director of Public Health under delegated powers.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. This report is submitted for consideration as urgent under Rule 16 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules in part 4 of the Council's Constitution, notice having been given to the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee and the public. The matter requires an urgent decision and cannot be deferred for 5 clear days for the following reasons:
 - The acceptance of the funding has to be signed off by 21 August 2013 and returned forthwith to Portsmouth City Council for the Big Lottery award, otherwise funding will be lost.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. Not to accept this funding: this was rejected as this was a bid which meets key needs identified in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). In addition this was a joint bid with Portsmouth City Council and non-acceptance would destabilise their part of the project.

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DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. The need for this work

Our JSNA shows that Southampton has a diverse population. The 2011 census demonstrates that 17.65% of the residents are born outside the UK and there is much diversity. For example in Bevois Ward, over half of residents (55.4%) are from minority ethnic groups. Southampton has a higher proportion of households where no one has English as their main language (7.7% compared to 4.4% nationally). This has implications for the health and well being of these communities.

4. Collaborative Partnership

The partners who will deliver the project are West Itchen Community Trust (WICT), Clear Life Education and Action for Refugees (CLEAR), Workers' Educational Authority (WEA), Sure Start Southampton, Two Saints and NHS Homeless Healthcare team. They have all agreed to work and collaborate in a spirit of openness and good faith together to deliver the C4C project within budget and in compliance with matters set out in the Project Plan. The partners have acknowledged that the council will be acting as the lead in Southampton and be responsible to the hub lead, Portsmouth City Council, for the delivery of the project and to comply with the terms and conditions of the Funder (C4C Big Lottery). The parties (Steering Group) will meet monthly or as necessary to discuss the progress and performance of their respective obligations under this Agreement. Task groups will be set up for specific tasks and will be time limited and disband on completion of the task and after reporting to the Steering Group.

5. Chances4Change

The Southampton bid will follow the model of community empowerment by training local people to be change champions and mentors. They will be supported by full time, part time and sessional staff with expertise in mental well being, physical activity and healthy eating and community development and engagement. Full time staff will support and coordinate projects in Physical Activity and Healthy Eating and in Mental Well Being. The Public Health team will lead the Southampton hub but will be supported by colleagues from other directorates in the Council and the local NHS, and by the voluntary and community sectors (Sure Start, WEA,NHS Homeless Healthcare Team) and external agencies. No new Council posts are required, but two full-time posts to project manage and administer the project will be hosted by WICT (two-year fixed term contracts) A range of projects will come under the C4C work as detailed in paragraphs 6 to 8 below.

6. **Healthy Start project**

This project is targeted at pregnancy and early years work focussing on BME communities. There is a gap in supporting pregnant women and women with babies and young children due to language and cultural barriers. The project will aim to develop relationships with these communities and enable these women to improve their health and wellbeing and those of their children at an early stage.

7. Healthy BME Communities project

This project will work on the strands of healthy eating and physical activity

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work with groups such as Cooking Exchange, parents from Sure Start, WEA and CLEAR, to teach healthy eating principles and to train cookery leaders to develop Cookery Hubs in the city to educate communities on healthy food growing, cooking and eating.

8. **Mental Well Being project**

This project will raise awareness about mental health first aid and develop assertiveness and negotiating skills. It will educate and train people as community change agents and raise awareness about hate crime and reporting, addressing BME safety awareness issues including domestic violence, trafficking, scams, self-harm and suicide. The project will train and support young people and adults from these communities to enable them to raise awareness about these issues including safeguarding, challenging stigma of being victims and signposting to relevant agencies.

9. **Monitoring and Review**

The Project Work Streams as defined by the C4C lottery fund will be monitored continually through the Steering Group and evaluation will be conducted at end of year 1 and year 2. Templates from the Big Lottery will be used for these purposes.

10. **Governance and Management**

The Southampton project will be led and managed by the City Council through the Public Health team. WICT will undertake the day to day management and responsibility of the Project Co-ordinator and the Administration Worker. Each party is responsible for the budget for their work streams and the council will be under no obligation to indemnify expenditure in excess of budget.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

- 11. The bid was worked up before the Public Health Department transferred into the Council. A revenue income of £241,941 will be received over two years from the Big Lottery via Portsmouth City Council. This sum will be sufficient to completely fund all additional expenditure arising from this project. The total funding will be spent through the third sector providers identified in the bid to deliver the specified outcomes.
- 12. There will be a requirement for the Council's Public Health team to provide support to this project. This support will be provided from within existing resources at no additional cost over the life of the project.
- 13. At the end of the life of this project, when the funding ceases, it is anticipated there will not be any further commitment for funding. Should the outcome of the project indicate that it is desirable to commit future resources these will need to be identified from within the existing Public Health budget envelope and therefore at no additional pressure to the Council.

Property/Other

14. None.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

15. Public health duties are now discharged through the Local Authority under the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

Other Legal Implications:

16. None.

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

17. None.

KEY DECISION? Yes

WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	All
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

1.	None.		
Documents In Members' Rooms			
1.	None.		
Equality Impact Assessment			
	Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out.		

Other Background Documents

Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s)

Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)

1.	Chances4Change Project Funding Form of Agreement	
2.		

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