

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 17 January 2017

**Decision No:** (CAB 16/17 18274)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	EDUCATION AND SKILLS
SUBJECT:	DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTEGRATED PREVENTION AND EARLY HELP OFFER FOR CHILDREN AGED 0-19 AND THEIR FAMILIES
AUTHOR:	Phil Lovegrove

### THE DECISION

- (i) To approve the preferred option (option 4) for integration which is a fully integrated offer achieved through provider integration underpinned by an arrangement between the Council and Solent NHS Trust either through a Section 75 (NHS Act 2006) Agreement or any other appropriate basis for such a partnership arrangement.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Service Director, Children and Families, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills, the Director of Public Health, the Director of Quality and Integration and Service Director: Legal and Governance to do everything necessary to put in place the preferred option, including formal consultation with staff for whom there may be changes in line management, location or role and engagement with service users on the design of the integrated service.

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

- 1 There is a strong evidence base which demonstrates that effective early intervention is a cost effective approach and events that occur in early life affect health, wellbeing and outcomes in later life and children's life chances are most heavily predicated on their development in the first five years of life. This is also evidenced in the Director of Public Health's 2016 Annual Report "The first 1000 days of life". Effective early intervention is better delivered through an evidence based, single, coordinated approach focused on providing a continuum of support with a single set of outcomes. Feedback from families shows that they would support this approach.
- 2 The preferred option for achieving this is through integrated provider arrangements and a pooled budget, underpinned by an arrangement between the Council and Solent NHS Trust, whether by way of a Section 75 (NHS Act 2006) Agreement or

any other appropriate basis for such a partnership arrangement with a view to exploring a joint venture or alternative new models of integrated care in the future.

This option:

- Brings together the full range of prevention and early help services, including those delivered and managed in house by Children's Services and those already commissioned from Solent NHS Trust by Public Health, into a single service offer, managed by a single lead, thereby facilitating integrated provision.
- Enables the totality of resources (HR, buildings, back office support) to be brought together and considered as a whole, enabling efficiencies to be made.
- Will create opportunities for both organisations, and service users to benefit more quickly from innovation and creativity.

## **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

1 This report details five alternative options for delivering the integrated offer. These are:

- Continued alignment of all the services in scope (no formal integration)
- Integration of Public Health Nursing services only (to form a 0-19 public health nursing service) to align with the remaining in house services in the offer
- Fully integrated offer achieved through procurement
- Fully integrated offer achieved through provider integration underpinned by an arrangement between the Council and Solent NHS Trust whether by way of a Section 75 (NHS Act 2006) Agreement or any other appropriate basis for such a partnership arrangement, with a view to exploring a joint venture or alternative new models of integrated care in future
- Joint procurement with another local authority.

2 A description of each of these options and the criteria used to evaluate them can be found in Section 22-23. The full option appraisal is also available on request.

## **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None.

## **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None.

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 17 January 2017

Decision Maker:  
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:  
Pat Wood

**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*