

## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

### OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD (Non Key)

The following decision was taken on 17 May 2017 by the Director of Commissioning, Inclusion and Learning.

Date notified to all members: Wednesday 17 May 2017

Officer Non-Key decisions are not subject to call-in.

1. **TITLE**

One Year Extension to Contract for Citywide Drug and Alcohol Visiting Support Service delivered by DISC

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the current contract for a Citywide drug and alcohol visiting support service delivered by DISC (value £348,500) is extended for a further year from 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 to 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

The contract continues to be strategically important to the Council in delivering its objectives for local people and there is in place a budget for this service until the end of August 2019.

DISC has been running the Citywide visiting service for nearly four years. The service provided is outcomes focussed and successfully meets the needs of clients with drug/and or alcohol support needs. DISC is exceeding the targets for utilisation and maintaining independent living and delivers value for money. The current contract (YORE-92UM45) has been extended for a year and expires on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 includes an option to extend for a further year.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

One alternative option is to bring the contract to an end and decommission the service. This is not desirable as it would remove housing-related support from local people with drug or alcohol problems. This may lead to failed tenancies, homelessness and an inability to resettle in the community following a period of detoxification, as well as potential growth of public health concerns.

Another option is to retender the service. This is not desirable as the current provider is meeting the targets in the contract at the price agreed in 2013 and the contract allows for this extension. Retendering the contract will create uncertainty for the current provider and might lead to service disruption. There have been no market developments that suggest that it would be advantageous to the Council to retender the contract at this time.

5. **Documents used in making decision:**

(a) Officer Non-Key Executive report

(b) February 2016 Cabinet report – Delegated Decisions for Housing Related Support Commissioning Strategy and Budget Plan 2016 to 2020

6.1 **Any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member who is consulted by the Officer when making the decision**

None

6.2 **Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service**

N/A

7. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Executive Director, People Services