

Title of meeting: Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing & Social Care

Date of meeting: 25th September 2018

Subject: Continuing Healthcare S75 Partnership - Extension of Term

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Wards affected: All

Key decision: No

Full Council decision: No

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To seek approval of the Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care to extend the Section 75 agreement for Continuing Healthcare for a further term of 3 years until 31st August 2021.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Cabinet Member delegates authority to the Chief of Health, Wellbeing and Social Care Services in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and City Solicitor to approve the entering into of extension arrangements for the two S75 agreements for Continuing Healthcare:
 - 1.2.1 Provision of Health and Social Care Services.
 - 1.2.2 Commissioning of Health and Social Care Services.

3. Background

- 3.1 Portsmouth City Council and Portsmouth CCG have been partners in a S75 agreement for Continuing Healthcare since 1st September 2012.
- 3.2 The model of Continuing Healthcare in the city since 2012 is made up of the following elements:
 - 2.3.1 All packages of care are commissioned within the Council which supports economies of scale and consistency of cost negotiation.
 - 2.3.2 A single integrated team of nurses and social workers who deliver a combined service to the public.
- 3.3 The agreement is governed by a Partnership Management Group which includes membership from:
 - 3.3.1 Senior Portsmouth finance leads from both organisations.
 - 3.3.2 Deputy Director of Adult Social Care.

3.3.3 Director of Quality & Commissioning.

4. Reasons for recommendations

- 4.1 The extension of the integrated commissioning arrangements continues to support both partners' strategic objectives to commission high quality integrated services across health and care which provide value for money and effective deployment of operational and commissioning staff.

5. Equality impact assessment

- 5.1 A preliminary EIA has been carried out (Appendix 1) and from this it has been determined that a full EIA is not required as recommendations do not have a potential negative impact on any of the protected characteristics as described in the Equality Act 2010. The main points highlighted were:

- 5.2 The service has been in place since 2012 and has proven to be very successful. The integrated commissioning arrangements continues to support both partners' strategic objectives to commission high quality integrated services across health and care which provide value for money and effective deployment of operational and commissioning staff. The integration was supported by an EIA in 2012 and continuing the arrangements does not impact on any of the positions put forward at that time.

- 5.3 An equality monitoring form is always completed as part of the CHC assessment process which is the framework the integrated service supports. This helps the CCG identify whether individuals from different groups (in terms of disability, ethnicity, etc.) are accessing NHS continuing healthcare on an equitable basis. , including whether they are being properly identified for potential eligibility at Checklist stage and are being identified for the Fast Track process where appropriate.

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6. Legal implications

- 6.1 Section 75 of the NHS Act 2006 (the "Act") allows local authorities and NHS bodies to enter into partnership arrangements to provide a more streamlined service and to pool resources, if such arrangements are likely to lead to an improvement in the way their functions are exercised.
- 6.2 The suggested continuation of the current arrangements would be within the remit of the legislation.

7. Director of Finance's comments

- 7.1 Both parties will contribute funding to the S75 agreement to fund relevant expenditure. The current combined total of planned contributions is £55.3m.
- 7.2 The PMG will be responsible for reviewing and approving the activity and finances associated with the Pooled Fund on a monthly and quarterly basis,

and reporting to Portsmouth Planning Programme Board (PPPB) and/or the PCC Cabinet Member if a material over or underspend is forecast.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 - Preliminary Equality Impact Assessment Form

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location
No associated documents	

The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/ rejected by on

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