

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Central Area Council Meeting:
4th November 2019**

Report of Central Area Council Manager

Central Council Procurement and Financial Update Report

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides members with an up to date overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, and provides an overview of all current contracts, contract extensions and Service Level Agreements with associated timescales.
- 1.2 It also provides feedback about the development of the agreed priority areas from 1st April 2020, including a proposed way forward for progressing the Social Isolation Priority.
- 1.3 The report also provides an update about the procurement of a new Central Area Council service "to build the emotional resilience and wellbeing of children and young people aged 8-14 years living in the Central Council area."
- 1.4 Finally, the report outlines the actual financial position for 2018/19 and the Projected financial position for 2019/20-2022/23.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 **Members note the overview of current Central Area Council priorities, and the progress made regarding the development of the agreed priorities from 1st April 2020.**
- 2.2 **Members agree the proposed way forward for progressing the Social Isolation priority as outlined in section 5.**
- 2.3 **Members note the overview provided of all Central Area Council's current contracts, contract extensions and Service Level Agreements with associated timescales.**
- 2.4 **Members note the update about the procurement of a new Central Area Council service "to build the emotional resilience and wellbeing of children and young people aged 8-14 years living in the Central Council area."**
- 2.5 **Members note the actual financial position for 2018/19 and the projected**

expenditure for 2020/21 – 22/23, as outlined in Appendix 3 and 4 of this report.

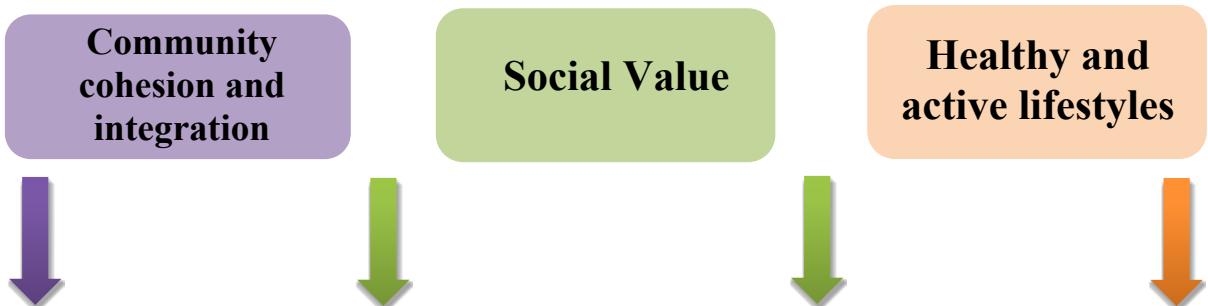
3. Priorities 2018/20 and Post 2020

- 3.1 Table 1 below outlines the 4 Central Area Council priorities for 2018/20, confirmed at the meeting of Central Area Council on 14th May 2018. It also shows the agreed principles of ensuring that community cohesion, social value and healthy and active lifestyles are promoted and embedded in all the work of Central Area Council.
- 3.2 The table also shows the links to the Council's Corporate Priorities and the associated Corporate Outcomes that the work of Central Area Council will contribute most significantly to.

Table 1: Priorities, Principles and Corporate Outcomes 2017-2020



Ensuring the following principles are promoted and embedded in all that we do:



Contributing to the Council's Corporate Priorities and Outcomes:



4.0 Priorities- Post 31st March 2020

- 4.1 In order for Central Area Council to plan ahead post 31st March 2020, and allocate it's funding effectively and for maximum impact, the following priority areas were agreed at the meeting of Central Area Council on 11th March 2019:
- Employability and Skills
 - Addressing Loneliness and Isolation/Supporting Vulnerable People
 - Creating a Cleaner and Greener Environment
 - Early Help & Support for Families
 - Building resilience in Children and Young People
- 4.2 Table 2 below outlines the work that has been undertaken to date, and/or is planned to take place, in relation to the development of each of the agreed Priority Areas.

Table 2:

Priority Area	Progress to date	Next Steps
Employability and Skills	Meetings have taken place with BMBC's Head of Employment & Skills Service on 28/05/19 and 30/07/19. A Central Area Employability and Skills workshop was scheduled to take place on 20 th August 2019 however due to staff illness this was cancelled.	A revised date for this workshop is to be arranged.
Addressing Loneliness and Social Isolation in Adults & Older People	This priority area was discussed with members of the Central Integrated Wellbeing Group at the meeting on 17 th September 2019.	A Central Council workshop was held on 10 th October 2019. Please see section 5 below.
Creating a Cleaner and Greener Environment	No further work has yet been undertaken as a number of new contracts to address this priority have recently commenced.	
Early Help & Support for Families	No further work has yet been undertaken as the new Peri-natal emotional well-being contract has just commenced.	
Building resilience in Children and Young People	Workshops to consider this priority took place on Tuesday 18 th June 2019 & 8 th August	New service for 8-14's currently being procured.

	2019.	Workshop to consider the 14+ age range to be arranged.
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5.0 Loneliness and Social Isolation in Adults & Older People

- 5.1 Following discussion about the Social Isolation priority at the Central Integrated Wellbeing Team meeting on 17th September 2019, the Central Council Social Isolation workshop group met on Thursday 10th October 2019.

5 Central Council members (representing 4 wards) attended the workshop, with colleagues from the Healthier Communities and Strategic Procurement & Commissioning Support Services, also participating.

- 5.2 A lack of verified data from the previous and current loneliness and isolation contracts, together with a lack of information about the new Boroughwide “Umbrella” service for people with low level mental health issues, presented some challenges for the group.

The group was also made aware at the meeting that some discussions had been taking place within Barnsley’s Public Health Service about the issue of social isolation across the life course, and how this could be addressed most effectively in Barnsley.

- 5.3 The group agreed that further significant work and discussions were required in order to accurately and effectively inform any future Central Area Council commissioning intentions to address this priority area.

Although some of the initial work can be undertaken by the Central Area Council Manager, it is anticipated that a more in-depth piece of research about the issue of social isolation across the lifecourse in the Central Council area, may be required.

- 5.4 Given that the current RVS Loneliness & Social Isolation contract comes to an end on 31st March 2020, and the work required to be undertaken to inform any future procurement exercise could take some time, this is likely to result in a time delay between the existing contract ending and any new contract commencing.

A number of options were therefore discussed in relation to the current RVS Contract, including the consideration of a 6 month extension.

- 5.5 The group however recommends that the RVS contract should come to an end on 31st March 2020, as specified in the existing contract.

- 5.6 It is further recommended that once the initial additional work and discussions outlined in section 5.3 above have taken place, the Social Isolation workshop group should reconvene to consider the findings and liaise with the Central Area Council Manager about any additional research that is required.

6. Overview of Contracts and timescales

- 6.1 Table 3 below outlines all the Central Area Council contracts and Service Level Agreements (SLA's) **currently** being delivered, together with contract values, timescales and any actions agreed:

Table 3:

Priority	Service and Current Provider	Contract duration & cost	
Support for vulnerable Adults & Older people	RVS– Service to reduce loneliness and isolation in adults (50+) and older people	<p>1 year with an option to extend for a further 1 year and again for a further 9 months, subject to annual review.</p> <p>Cost: £100,000/ annum</p> <p>Total cost: £275,000- revised to £175,000 (see note in next column)</p> <p>Contract start date: 1st July 2017</p> <p>Contract End date: 31st March 2020</p>	Due to contract reporting & performance issues, RVS agreed to underwrite the full cost of the service for 2019/20. This was formally agreed at the Central AC meeting on 3/06/19.
Young People	YMCA-Building emotional resilience and wellbeing in children and young people aged 8-14 years	<p>1 year with an option to extend for a further 1 year and again for a further 1 year, subject to annual review.</p> <p>Cost: £130,000/annum</p> <p>Total cost: £390,000</p> <p>Contract start date: 1st April 2017</p> <p>Contract end date: 31st March 2020</p>	<p>All contract extensions have been implemented.</p> <p>This service will end on 31st March 2020.</p>
Clean and Green 3	Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Ltd: Creating a cleaner and greener environment in	1 year with an option to extend for 1 year + 1 further year, subject to annual	Contract extension to be considered at Central Council meeting in January

	partnership with local people.	review. Cost: £95,000/annum Total cost: £285,000 Contract start date: 1st April 2019	2020.
Clean and Green	District Enforcement Ltd- Providing an environmental enforcement service SLA with BMBC's Safer Communities Service to support/complement the contract above	1 year with an option to extend for 1 year, and again for a further 1 year. Cost: £45,000/annum Total cost: £135,000 Cost: £13,000/annum Total cost: £39,000 Contract/SLA start date: 1st April 2019	First Contract extension to be considered at meeting in January 2020.
Family Support	Family Lives-Peri-natal Home Visiting & Community Emotional Wellbeing Support Service	1 year + 1 year + 1 year at a cost of £50,000/annum. Total cost: £150,000 The contract start date was formally changed to: 1st April 2019.	First Contract extension to be considered at meeting in January 2020.
Clean and Green	Household Fly-tipping Enforcement & Education SLA	1 year + 1 year at a cost of £32,000/ annum. Total cost: £64,000. Contract start date: 18th November 2018.	SLA extension approved at meeting on 30/09/19.
Clean and Green/ Support to vulnerable	New Tenant Support SLA	1 year + 1 year at a cost of £32,500/annum.	SLA extension approved at meeting on 30/09/19.

adults and older people		Total cost: £ 65,000 Contract start date: 18 th November 2019.														
All	<p>Central Area Well-being Projects Start date for the following Projects was 1st June 2019:</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td>DIAL</td> <td>£30,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ELSH</td> <td>£10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exodus</td> <td>£10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hope House</td> <td>£13,913</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TADS</td> <td>£ 20,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Start date for the following Projects was 1st July 2019:</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td>TYA</td> <td>£10,062</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Creative Recovery</td> <td>£15,000 + £15,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	DIAL	£30,000	ELSH	£10,000	Exodus	£10,000	Hope House	£13,913	TADS	£ 20,000	TYA	£10,062	Creative Recovery	£15,000 + £15,000	A brief update on progress to date for each project can be found in the Performance Report to be considered at today's meeting.
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7.0 Building Emotional Resilience and Wellbeing in Children and Young People – Procurement Update

- 7.1 At its meeting on 11th March 2019, Central Area Council reviewed its priorities and “Building emotional resilience and well-being in children and young people,” was retained as a priority from 2020 onwards.
- 7.2 In order to take forward the work for this priority area a Task Group was established in June 2019.

Based on the evidence linked to building emotional resilience, and the timescales relating to both the current YMCA contract and the delivery of the Central Well-being Fund projects, the group focused its attention on the younger age range (8-14 years).
- 7.3 At the last Central Area Council meeting on 30th September 2019, an outline Business Case reflecting the considerations and discussions of the Task Group, was approved . The Procurement Strategy synopsis was also approved at the same meeting
- 7.4 An advert was placed on Yortender on Friday 11th September 2019 with a closing date for submissions of Friday 15th November 2019.

- 7.5 The Tender Evaluation Panel will meet on Thursday 21st November 2019 to receive presentations from each of the Provider's who submit a tender. The moderation process will also take place on the same day.

Cllrs Johnson and Williams will be the Central Area Council member representatives on the Tender Evaluation Panel.

- 7.6. It is anticipated that the Tender will be awarded and the contract issued before Christmas, with a contract start date of 1st April 2020.

8.0 Financial Position

- 8.1 Based on updated information relating to existing Central Area Council contracts, SLA's and funding agreements, Appendix 1 attached provides a revised position statement on Central Council funding.

- 8.2 It shows actual expenditure for 2018/19, and projected expenditure for 2019/20-2021/22.

The 2019/20 figure includes a carry forward amount from 2018/19 of £193,240, and all previously agreed funding/allocations are included.

- 8.3 The 2019/20 - 2020/21 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

- 8.4 A finance overview for the period 2018/19 to 2022/23, with projected allocations shown in red, is also attached for information at Appendix 2. This includes all costs associated with the contracts and procurement updates contained within this report.

- 8.5 Members should note that taking into account all approvals provided by Central Area Council to date, an amount of £539,553 has been committed for 2019/20.

Reflecting the removal of the £100,000 for the RVS service previously reported, there is currently an unallocated balance of £ 153,707 in 2019/20.

Appendices:

Appendix 1: Central Area Council Financial Position Statement

Appendix 2: Finance Overview – Projections 2018/19 – 2022/23.

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