

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Agenda Item 5

North East Area Council Meeting

December 3rd, 2015

Report of North East

Area Council Manager

Financial Position and Procurement Update

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides the North East Area Council with a current financial position and forecast for expenditure into 2016 – 2017.
- 1.2 This report provides an update regarding the procurement of the Employability for Under 16's 2016 initiative.
- 1.3 This report provides an update on the Environmental Enforcement procurement for service provision post March 2016.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. **The North East Area Council note the financial position of the Area Council to date, in order to inform Members with regard to considerations about future spend.**
- 2.2 **Members note the Procurement Progress Update with regard to the Employability for Under 16's 2016 initiative, and the Environmental Enforcement after March 2016.**

3. Background

- 3.1. At the North East Area Council meeting held on October 1st, 2015 Members resolved that that the Employability for Under 16's contract be advertised at a maximum contract value of £45,000 for the 2016 – 2017 provision.
- 3.2. At the North East Area Council meeting held on October 1st Members resolved that the Environmental and Parking Enforcement contract be advertised for a minimum of 2 years, at a value of £62,500 per annum for two Enforcement Officers, on the understanding that it is `let` one year at a time, with `break` clauses included, should funding be discontinued.
- 3.3. To recommission both of the services the tender opportunities will need to be advertised and a full procurement process will be necessary.

4. Procurement Progress Update

- 4.1. The Employability for Under16's procurement pack has been prepared. The opportunity was advertised week commencing 9th November with a return date of 7th December, 2015 to enable the successful provider to begin working with the Schools from February 2016.
- 4.2. It is proposed that the Environmental Enforcement tender opportunity will be advertised in early December 2015.

5. Financial Position

- 5.1. Appendix A attached shows a breakdown of the North East Area Council's expenditure. Based on the current profiled spend agreed with the Providers, the North East Area Council has £133,836 uncommitted from the period 2015/16, and £168,712 uncommitted from the 2016/17 budget.
- 5.2. No clear indication has been given regarding the future budget allocations for Area Councils post 2016-17. Consequently, for the foreseeable future contracts will be let on a year by year basis with break clauses.

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