Officer Decision Record

Record of Decision of Phil Hollingsworth Service Director, Safer Stronger Healthier Communities, Communities Directorate

Subject

Barnsley Foodbank partnership provides practical assistance to individuals and families in crisis through the provision of emergency food supplies in the form of ration packs to cover a family's basic needs for up to 72 hours.

The objective of the service is to combat poverty and hunger by providing nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred in crisis.

The service contributes to the achievement of the following elements of the Barnsley Corporate Plan 2017-2020:

To help people achieve their potential:

- Reducing demand through access to early help
- Children and adults are safe from harm
- People are healthier, happier, independent and active

To achieve strong and resilient communities:

People volunteering and contributing towards stronger communities

Authority

The authority for the decisions relating to these grants has been made by Communities as part of our annual commissioning decisions as follows:

 Foodbank – this is a grant extension on a month by month basis to enable us to take a full commissioning decision from April 2020.

Decision Taken

To continue funding the service into 2020/2021 on a month by month basis until the new Food Access Network is established at which point the direct funding of the foodbank will cease and monies redirected to the new organisation which will take a wider, more holistic, approach to food poverty while reducing the financial reliance on the Council.

Date of Decision

17th December 2019

Phil Hollingsworth

Service Director, Safer Stronger Healthier

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