

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 17th January 2022

Report of the Dearne Area Council Manager

Commissioning update

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is for members to receive an update with regards Dearne Area Council commissioned services.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That members receive the updates on the Dearne Area Council commissions.
- 2.2 That members approve the procurement timeline for the social inclusion service.

3.0 Area Council commissions

3.1 Social inclusion service

The current service provided by B: friend ends on the 31st July 2022. On the 15th of November 2021 the Dearne Area Council agreed that social inclusion remained a priority for the area and would go out to tender for a service that would meet the needs of the most vulnerable. This service would be procured for three years but reviewed by the Area Council every year.

The specification was agreed at the meeting held on 15th November, 2021 and all the relevant paperwork is now complete. The procurement timeline is as follows:

Activity	Date
Finalise tender docs with Service	01/04/2022
Finalise contract with Legal/Service	08/04/2022
Publication of Tender	15/04/2022
Clarification Questions Deadline	06/05/2022
Submission Deadline	13/05/2022
Evaluation	w/c 16/05/2022
Moderation & draft letters	w/c 16/05/2022
Issue Intention to Award Letters	20/05/2022

Standstill Period Ends	30/05/2022
Contract Award	31/05/2022
Contract Start date	01/07/2022

It is recommended that members approve this procurement timeline.

3.2 **Housing & Cohesion Officer**

The Dearne Area Council had approved the housing and cohesion officer post until the end of March 2023. Amendments have now been made to the service level agreement and signed off by the Area Chair, Area Manager and Group Leader for Housing Management, Regulation & Service Improvement.

3.3 **Assisting employment and skills**

At the Dearne Area Council meeting on the 6th of September 2021 members approved the procurement of the employment and skills commission. A moderation meeting was held on the 25th of November 2021 which consisted of the Procurement Team, Area Chair and Area Manager. The scoring of those submissions was based on the questions set during the tender process. The scoring was calculated, and the contract was awarded to Dearne Electronic Community Village for three years.

3.4 **Neighbourhood and engagement officer role**

On the 25th of November 2021 members of the Dearne Area Council approved a further two years for the Neighbourhood and Engagement Officer role. This role is now in place until the end of March 2024.

3.5 **Twigg's**

Twigg's have fourteen months left on the Environment, Education, and Volunteer Service. A workshop with members will be arranged to discuss future priorities.

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