

Central Area 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, Service Level Agreements and Grant Funded projects, with associated timescales.
- 1.2 Updates are also provided within the report about the previously agreed areas of work relating to services for Social Isolation and Loneliness:
- 1.3 The report also considers the extensions of grants in line with area priorities.
- 1.4 Finally, the report outlines the financial position to date for 20/21 and the projected financial position to 2023/24. Nb. Financial projections are based on the assumption that the base income budget remains the same and that existing services are maintained.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Members note the overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, and overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Well-being Fund projects, with associated timescales.
- 2.2 Members note the actual financial position to date for 2020-21 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 & 2 of this report.
- 2.3 One year grant extensions are awarded as follows:
 - YMCA - Detached Youth Work - £12,360 from 1st August 2021 to 31st July 2022
 - The Youth Association – Street Smart £49,440 from 1st July, 2021 to 30th June, 2022
 - DIAL - Advice Drop in - £30,900 from 1st July, 2021 to 30th June, 2022
 - Hope House Connects - £14,420 from 1st June, 2021 to 31st May, 2021
- 2.4 Creative Recovery are supported to delay delivery of the remainder of their project until restrictions are lifted.
- 2.5 The Youth Work Fund remains 'under consideration' until further needs analysis is completed.

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3. Social Isolation and Loneliness Challenge Fund Update

- 3.1 The moderation panel met on 10th & 11th February to consider all applications into the challenge fund.
- 3.2 At the time of writing this report; projects has been shortlisted and will be invited to give a presentation to the panel before final decisions can be reached.

4. Overview of Contracts and timescales

- 4.1 The table below outlines all the Central Area Council contracts, Service Level Agreements (SLA's) and grants **currently** being delivered, together with values, timescales and recent actions **agreed**:

Priority	Service/Fund	Provider	Value	From	To	Type
Social Isolation	Central Well-being Fund 'Uplift' for the Central Area	Creative Recovery	£15,000 <i>*Dates for delivery extended to Covid-19.</i>	1/07/19.	*30/06/20	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	Central Well-being Fund Advice Drop-In	DIAL Barnsley	Year 1 £30,000 Year 2 £30,000	01/07/19 01/07/20	30/06/20 30/06.21	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	Financial Resilience Funding Covid response support service	Age UK Barnsley	One year one-off funding £10,000 <i>Nb. Additional external funding was secured to maintain the service to 31/03/21</i>	01/07/20	31/12/20	Grant Agreement
Children & Young People	CAC Commission Building emotional resilience and well being in children and young people aged 8-14 years	Barnsley YMCA	Year 1 £135,000 Year 2 £136,500 <i>Commended 2020 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract
Children & Young People	Youth Fund Street Smart	The Youth Association (TYA)	Year 1 £48,000 Year 2 £48,000	01/07/19 01/07/20	30/06/20 30/06/21	Grant Agreement
Children & Young People	Youth Fund Detached Youth work	YMCA	Year 1 £12,000 Year 2 £12,000	01/06/19 01/06/20	31/05/20 31/05/21	Grant Agreement

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Clean & Green	CAC Commission Creating a cleaner and greener environment in partnership with local people	Twiggs Grounds Maintenance	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 £95,000 per annum <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract
Clean & Green	CAC Commission Providing an environmental enforcement service SLA with BMBC's Safer Communities Service to support/ complement the contract above	District Enforcement & BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 £45,000 p/y plus £13,000 to BMBC SLA <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract & SLA
Clean & Green	CAC Commission Targetted Household Flytipping Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2 Cost: £32,000/annum. <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/11/19 01/11/20	31/10/20 31/10/21	SLA
Clean & Green	CAC Commission Private Rented Housing Support Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2 Cost: £32,500/annum <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/11/19 01/11/20 SLA Extension agreed to November 2021	31/10/20 31/10/21	SLA
Vulnerable People	CAC Commission New Mothers Support Service	Family Lives	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract

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			£50k per annum <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>			
Vulnerable People	Central Well-being Fund Hope House Connects	Hope House Church	Year 1 £13,913 Year 2 £14,000	1/06/19 01/06/20	31/05/20 31/05/21	Grant Agreement
Vulnerable People	Financial Resilience Funding Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service	Citizens Advice Bureau Barnsley	One year one off funding £10,000 <i>Delivery of this service was expected in November 2020 but was delayed due to operational challenges</i>	01/01/21	31/12/21	Grant Agreement

GRANT/CONTRACT EXTENSIONS

5. Targeted Youth Support

Improving Skills & Health by taking training to young people at a street level

- 5.1 Over the 18m period that the YMCA and The Youth Association have been delivering this service across the five Wards. Comprehensive quarterly monitoring reports have been submitted and regular funding management meetings have taken place. The original grants were awarded as a result of the 'Youth Work Fund' grants call. Both organisations have clearly put down roots in the area and performance has been excellent, especially considering the much altered environment that they are operating in due to Covid-19 restrictions. All targets and outcomes either flexed or adapted to reflect restrictions.
- 5.2 In addition to the expected outcomes, the services have supported public health and enforcement colleagues with regard to the Covid response/messaging and work in close partnership with each other.
- 5.3 Improving the emotional resilience in children and young people people was agreed as a priority for the Central Area Council in July 2020 with an acknowledgement that this continues to be an ongoing priority.
- 5.4 Given the information outlined in this section, alongside the performance information included within the Area Council papers, it is recommended that the following grants are extended for a further one year to 2022.
 - 5.4.1 Youth Association – Streetsmart in Worsborough, Stairfoot, Kingstone and Central at a total cost of £49,440 (1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022)
 - 5.4.2 YMCA Detached Youth Work project in Dodworth – total cost £12,360 (01st August 2021 to 31st July 2022)

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- 5.5 If the recommendation to extend the grants is not agreed; the alternatives for consideration would be to a) stop the services or b) go out to market to procure a revised service

6. DIAL

- 6.1 Following approval by the Central Area Council as a result of the Central Wellbeing Fund grant process; DIAL were awarded a grant to provide welfare rights advice and unlock the financial barriers which prevent people from taking pathways to opportunities for participation, inclusion, volunteering and personal development. Performance has been excellent considering Covid-19 restrictions, with all targets and outcomes being met or exceeded. The new virtual delivery model has actually resulted in an increase in demand and response.
- 6.2 Supporting vulnerable people remains a priority for the Central Area Council.
- 6.3 Given the information outlined in this section alongside the performance information included within the Area Council papers; it is recommended that the DIAL grant is extended for a further one year from 01st July 2021 to 30th June to 2022 at a cost of £30,900.
- 6.4 If the recommendation to extend the grant is not agreed; the alternatives for consideration would be to a) stop the service or b) go out to market to procure a revised service

7. Hope House

- 7.1 Following approval by the Central Area Council as a result of the Central Wellbeing Fund grant process, Hope House were awarded a grant of £14k to provide support sessions for families with babies. Performance has been excellent considering the much altered environment that they are operating in due to Covid-19 restrictions, and targets and outcomes have been flexed or adapted to reflect restrictions.
- 7.2 Supporting Vulnerable People and social isolation and loneliness remain priorities for the Central Area and ongoing demand on this service demonstrates that it is in need.
- 7.3 The Area Manager has started work with SYFAB and Hope House to identify alternative sources of funding for this project. This funding will allow a bridging period until alternative funding is sourced and the evidence collected as part of continuous monitoring arrangements can be used as a 'test and learn' as evidence for other funders.
- 7.4 It is recommended that the Area Council agree to fund the project for the further one year from 1st June 2021 to 31st May 2022, up to a maximum amount of £14,420, with the expectation that Hope House will apply for external funding in

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order lever in match to address the future sustainability of the project within the time period.

- 7.5 If the recommendation to extend the grant is not agreed; the alternatives for consideration would be to a) stop the service or b) go out to market to procure a revised service

8. Creative Recovery Uplift Project

- 8.1 Following approval by Central Area Council as a result of the Central Wellbeing Fund grant process, Creative Recovery were awarded a £15k grant to pilot their 'Uplift' project in two areas with the recommendation from the grants panel that this should be reviewed and rolled out in the additional two areas if the approach proved to be successful.
- 8.2 Members have received performance updates regularly including how the project has been flexed as a result of Covid-19 restrictions. At a members briefing on 9th December 2020, Creative Recovery presented more detailed information about delivery to date and future plans.
- 8.3 It is recommended that the Area Council allows the £7,053 balance of the original £15k grant funding to be spent in line with the outcomes of the original grant application as and when restrictions allow in collaboration with the Area Manager and Area Team.
- 8.4 It is recommended that the additional £15k funding that was earmarked to extend this project is not released at this time. This is not a reflection of the success of the project but in support and acknowledgement of the organisations current capacity (further to the Area Managers continued liaison with the Creative Recovery team).

9. Youth Work Fund

Further to consultation with local youth groups before Covid-19; the Youth Association and YMCA developed a training model which blends one-to-one support for organisations with accredited youth work training and group support. The funding for this was earmarked as being 'under consideration' in the last financial year.

- 9.1 Recent feedback from local groups suggests that there is still an appetite for this work.
- 9.2 Improving the emotional resilience of Children and Young People remains a priority for the Central Area.
- 9.3 It is recommended that the Youth Work fund status remains 'under consideration' until restrictions are lifted and a further needs analysis is completed.

10. Financial Position

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

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It shows actual expenditure for 2020/21.

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

The 2020/21 – 2021/22 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

- 10.2 A finance overview with future projected expenditure for the period 2020/21 to 2023/24, is also attached for information at Appendix 2 (attached).

This includes all costs associated with the formally approved contracts and procurement updates contained within this report, which are shown in **black**.

Interventions being considered at today's meeting and other" informally agreed" services are shown in **amber**, with future potential proposals shown in **red**. Items for consideration at this meeting are highlighted in **yellow** for ease of reference.

- 10.3 Members should note that further all previous approvals made by the Central Area Council an amount of **£400,790** has been *committed* for 2021/22. The balance c/f from 2020/21 is **£189,987** and FPN income has been estimated based on previous years' income bringing the total income projection for 2021/22 to **£709,987**.
- 10.4 The 2021-24 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes. The assumption is that the baseline budget remains the same year-on-year and this may be subject to change.

11. Other Matters

Appendices:

Appendix 1: Finance Report

Appendix 2: Finance Overview – Projections

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