

Decision Pathway – Report



PURPOSE: Key decision

MEETING: Cabinet

DATE: 07 March 2023

TITLE	Pathway to a single Adult Social Care framework: Existing Contracts	
Ward(s)	All	
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Cabinet lead: Cllr Helen Holland Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Integrated Care System, Cllr Tom Renhard Cabinet Member Housing Delivery and Homes	Executive Director lead: Hugh Evans, Executive Director: Adults and Communities	
Proposal origin: BCC Staff		
Decision maker: Cabinet Member Decision forum: Cabinet		
Purpose of Report: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To provide cabinet with early information regarding the development of a single adult social care purchasing framework, pending a future request for full authorisation and permission to tender in summer 2023. To seek approval to extend the current contracts for Extra Care Housing care and support, Advocacy Services, Night-time domiciliary care and Care and Support within HMP Bristol to allow for their inclusion in the procurement of a single adult social care purchasing framework, as set out in detail in Appendix A. 		
Evidence Base: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The proposal is to set up a Single Adult Social Care Framework which will be brought to cabinet for consideration and authorisation later in 2023, once a full business case has been developed as outlined in Appendix A. A single Adult Social Care Framework presents an opportunity to maximise flexibility in contracting with all sectors of the Adult Social Care provider market and simplify, clarify, and remove barriers to innovation. Further benefits are outlined in Appendix A. To be included within the single framework and achieve the associated benefits set out in Appendix A, the Adult Social Care contracts which expire prior to the go-live date of the proposed new framework must now be extended to ensure alignment. The contracts which currently expire in 2023 and are proposed for extension are: the care and support contracts within Extra Care Housing schemes, three Advocacy service contracts and the care and support contract within HMP Bristol. All extensions will continue to be funded from the existing ASC purchasing budget. This report seeks approval to extend the 13 current Extra Care Housing care and support service contracts until 31 March 2024, to enable alignment and inclusion within the procurement of a Single Adult Social Care Framework as outlined in Appendix A. The Council currently commissions 4 Advocacy service contracts, of which 3 contracts expire on 31 December 2023. This report seeks approval to extend these contracts for 3 months until 31 March 2024, to enable alignment and inclusion within the procurement of a Single Adult Social Care Framework, as outlined in Appendix A. The Council has a three-way contract with HMP Bristol and a care and support provider to deliver care and support to people residing within HMP Bristol who are eligible for support under the Care Act. This report 		

seeks approval to extend these contracts for 4 months until 31 March 2024, to enable alignment and inclusion within the procurement of a Single Adult Social Care Framework, as outlined in Appendix A.

8. The Council has 3 contracts for night-time domiciliary care in the North, South and Central zones of the City which expire on 31.07.23. This report seeks approval to extend these contracts for 8 months until 31 March 2024, to enable alignment and inclusion within the procurement of a Single Adult Social Care Framework, as outlined in Appendix A.

Cabinet Member / Officer Recommendations:

The cabinet:

1. Note the proposal to develop a single adult social care purchasing framework which will be brought back to Cabinet for approval as outlined in this report and Appendix A.
2. Authorises the Executive Director Adults and Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Integrated Systems to extend the current care and support contracts at Extra Care Housing Care schemes via a direct award until 31 March 2024 at a cost of c£6.7m and apply any inflationary uplifts as agreed in the contract.
3. Authorises the Executive Director Adults and Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Integrated Systems to extend the current contracts for Advocacy services via a contract variation until 31 March 2024 at a cost of £176,646 for three months, and apply any inflationary uplifts as agreed in the contract.
4. Authorises the Executive Director Adults and Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Integrated Systems to extend the current contract for care and support with HMP Bristol via a variation at a cost of £65,508 for four months, and apply any inflationary uplifts as agreed in the contract.
5. Authorises the Executive Director Adults and Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Integrated Systems to extend the current contract for Night-time care and support in line with the contract terms and conditions, at a cost of £466,495 for four months, and apply any inflationary uplifts as agreed in the contract.

Corporate Strategy alignment:

1. Health, Care and Wellbeing (HCW1); The provision of care and support within Extra Care Housing contributes to Bristol City Council’s priority to support people to be as resilient and independent as possible, developing their assets to live fulfilling lives.
2. Homes and Communities (HC1); The provision of care and support within Extra Care Housing to Bristol City Council’s priority to support older and/or more vulnerable people to remain as independent as possible within their communities.

City Benefits:

The provision of good quality, inclusive care and support services that meet people’s identified needs, will contribute to equality of opportunity in supporting older and disabled people to live independently.

Consultation Details:

None

Background Documents:

1. Care Act 2014 [Care Act 2014 \(legislation.gov.uk\)](https://www.legislation.gov.uk)

Revenue Cost	c£7M	Source of Revenue Funding	General Fund, Adult Social Care purchasing budget
Capital Cost	£ 0	Source of Capital Funding	Not applicable

One off cost <input type="checkbox"/>	Ongoing cost <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saving Proposal <input type="checkbox"/>	Income generation proposal <input type="checkbox"/>
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Required information to be completed by Financial/Legal/ICT/ HR partners:

1. Finance Advice: This report seeks approval to extend the current care and support contracts for Extra Care Housing, advocacy services and care and support at HMP Bristol. The revenue budget commitment for these contracts is c£7m per annum and should not present an additional financial burden to the Council being funded from general fund budgets.

Finance Business Partner: Denise Hunt, Finance Business Partner 2 February 2023

2. Legal Advice: Legal Services will advise and assist in relation to the contractual arrangements for the direct award, extension or variation of the relevant contracts as set out in this report.

Legal Team Leader: Husinara Jones, Team Manager/Solicitor 19 January 2023

3. Implications on IT: I can see no implications on IT in regard to this activity.

IT Team Leader: Alex Simpson, Senior Solution Architect 18 January 2023

4. HR Advice: This report is seeking approval to extend the current contracts for Extra Care Housing care and support and Advocacy Services to allow for their inclusion in the procurement of a single adult social care purchasing framework. There are no HR implications arising from this report for Bristol City Council employees.

HR Partner: Debbie Hunt, HR Consultancy Manager – People 1 February 2023

EDM Sign-off	Hugh Evans	18 January 2023
Cabinet Member sign-off	Cllr Helen Holland	23 January 2023
For Key Decisions - Mayor's Office sign-off	Mayor's Office	6 February 2023

Appendix A – Further essential background / detail on the proposal	YES
Appendix B – Details of consultation carried out - internal and external	NO
Appendix C – Summary of any engagement with scrutiny	NO
Appendix D – Risk assessment	NO
Appendix E – Equalities screening / impact assessment of proposal	YES
Appendix F – Eco-impact screening/ impact assessment of proposal	YES
Appendix G – Financial Advice	NO
Appendix H – Legal Advice	NO
Appendix I – Exempt Information	NO
Appendix J – HR advice	NO
Appendix K – ICT	NO
Appendix L – Procurement	NO