

Cabinet Member Decision 6 January 2015

AWARD OF LIVING WELL SERVICE CONTRACT

Relevant Cabinet Member	Mr M J Hart
Relevant Officer	Director of Adult Services and Health
Recommendation	<p>1. The Director of Adult Services and Health recommends that the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being endorses the recommendation of the Project Group to award the contract for a 'Living Well' Service to Independence Trust with the service specification set out in Appendix 1.</p>
Background Information	<p>2. A report from the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being and the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families was considered by the Cabinet on 17 July 2014. Cabinet resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) approve the proposals to go to tender for the 'Living Well' service, using monies from the Public Health ring-fenced grant, to link to the mandated Health Checks programme, and delegated the final decision to the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being in consultation with the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families;(b) approve the proposed service model as part of a behaviour change programme to reduce demand on health and social care services in the medium term and reduce health inequalities in the longer term;(c) note the alignment of the model with the Joint Health and Well-being Strategy, the five year Health and Care Strategy, and the County Council's Corporate Plan (FutureFit); and(d) delegate final development of the service specification and the authority to award a contract to the successful provider to the Cabinet Member for Health and Well-being in consultation with the Director of Adult Services and Health. <p>3. A full procurement process was undertaken, following development of the final service specification as in 2(d)</p>

above. The service specification is attached as Appendix 1. The procurement process was completed on 8 December 2014 with a preferred tenderer identified.

4. The process was led by the Head of Public Health and an officer from the Strategic Procurement Team, and supported by a group of internal officers and representatives from key partner agencies.

5. Six tenders were received and evaluated. The table below shows the final individual scores allocated to each tender:

Organisation	Score
Independence Trust	84
Organisation 2	63
Organisation 3	62
Organisation 4	46
Organisation 5	34
Organisation 6	0

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6. It was unanimously agreed by the Project Group, therefore, to recommend to the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being that the contract for the Living Well Service should be awarded to Independence Trust.

7. Independence Trust is part of the Herefordshire Housing Group, a not-for-profit group which provides home and support services to people across Herefordshire and the surrounding counties. The group structure, which combines the expertise of the Independence Trust, provider of wellbeing services, and Herefordshire Housing, a housing association, aims to support and challenge individuals, families and communities to achieve their potential for sustainable wellbeing and independence. Independence Trust took over a Health Trainer Service contract in 2011 and has experience of TUPE of NHS staff.

8. As part of the transition process from the current provider to Independence Trust, a comprehensive implementation plan including data migration will be agreed. Full co-operation from the outgoing provider in this process will be sought. It is intended that Independence Trust will commence delivery of the service on 1 April 2015.

9. The Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being has consulted with the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families, who is in agreement with acceptance of the recommendation outlined in paragraph 1.

Supporting Information

- Appendix 1 – Service Specification (on-line only)

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Director of Adult Services and Health) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

Agenda and background papers for the meeting of the Cabinet held on 17 July 2014