

**Meeting: Community Safety Partnership Board**

**Date: 26<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

**Report Title: Award of adult substance misuse contracts**

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### **Purpose**

This report is for information only. It details the outcome of a restricted tender process for the award of contracts to provide adult substance misuse services to local people experiencing drug and alcohol problems, including the Drugs Intervention Programme which forms part of the Integrated Offender Management Scheme in the borough.

### **Summary**

- 1.1.** In accordance with regulations under the Health and Social Care Act 2012, responsibility for commissioning substance misuse services became the responsibility of the LA in April 2013 as part of the move of Public Health into local authorities.
- 1.2.** The tendered services in this report have been commissioned from two grants: the public health grant and The Mayors Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) grant, following a recent successful business case to the Mayors Office to reduce drug and alcohol-related crime as part of the overall MOPAC bid.
- 1.3.** The award of these contracts will enable the council to meet their responsibilities to: reduce drug and alcohol-related crime, improve the health and wellbeing of local populations and reduce health inequalities across the life course, including hard to reach groups
- 1.4.** Prior to this tender, existing substance misuse contracts were a combination of NHS and LA held contracts. The tender exercise brought all of the contracts within the Council, and achieved better value for money through reducing the numbers of contractors from five to three, and through the re budgeting of each service.

- 1.5. The services will be more recovery orientated and 'integrated offender management' runs throughout the whole of the treatment provision and through the targeted work of the Criminal Justice Intervention Team (CJIT), who will be the front end of the DIP, working out of police custody suites and the courts to engage drug and alcohol misusing offenders out of crime and into treatment.
- 1.6. Specialist provision will continue to be linked with non-substance misuse services including primary care, adult and children services, criminal justice initiatives and education training and employment schemes and housing.
- 1.7. A brief breakdown of services to be provided in each of the lots can be found at appendix 1. The CJIT is based within lot 1 (primary drug service), the Alcohol Treatment Requirement is based in lot 2 (alcohol service) and the DRR in lot 3 (the Recovery Centre).
- 1.8. An implementation plan and transitional operation group are in place to ensure the smooth transition from outgoing to incoming providers on 1<sup>st</sup> January and to ensure performance is not compromised in the meantime.
- 1.9. In year two of the MOPAC bid the proposal is to embed a Domestic Violence Perpetrator Programme as an element of the DRR programme subject to MOPAC releasing the monies.

#### **Legal/Financial Implications**

Full financial and legal implications are contained within the report that was approved by Cabinet on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2013.

#### **Recommendations**

2.1. The board are asked to note the new adult substance misuse treatment system, the focus on recovery and reducing re-offending.

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## **Appendices**

### **Appendix 1 Brief Description of services to be provided in each lot**

The principle of the treatment system is that a service user will have one key worker coordinating their care.

#### **Lot 1 – Drugs**

- Specialist criminal justice team covering courts, prison, probation, alcohol IBA and EBI, key working and reduction of re-offending.
- Outreach and engagement services with BUBIC
- Harm reduction, pharmacy needle exchange
- Opiate substitute treatment (OST)
- Benzodiazepines treatment
- Engagement and stabilisation services for crack users
- Group and psychosocial interventions for cannabis users, stimulants users including legal highs
- Peer led and mutual aid
- Shared care
- Psychiatry support to the other lots
- Psychology input covering lot 1 and 3
- Friends and family services
- Community care assessment for drug users
- Joint reviews with lot 3

#### **Lots 2 - Alcohol**

- Strategic work with the DAAT in areas including licensing
- Identification and Brief Advice (IBA) training and roll out
- Alcohol awareness and social marketing
- Hospital liaison
- Community detoxification

- Peer led and mutual aid services
- Alcohol Treatment Requirement (ATR) assessment and provision and links to the criminal justice workers in lot 1 and to Probation.
- Short term counselling for those not requiring recovery services in lot 3
- Community care assessments alcohol

This service may also contain services commissioned by the council and the G.P.'s; these are not included within this tender

### **Lot 3 - Recovery**

- Pre-contemplative recovery work with lots 1 and 2
- Abstinence and non abstinence based recovery day programs including DRR programme
- Peer led and mutual aid services
- Education, training and employment support
- Integrated service for poly users with lot 1
- Joint reviews with lots 1 and 2
- Key working
- Counselling
- Operate satellite services
- Coordination of personalised services
- personalised services outside of the tender but accessed in this lot