



PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND WELLBEING

TOPIC – WINCHESTER DISTRICT HEALTH AND WELLBEING PARTNERSHIP BOARD (WDHWB) – EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDING

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

The Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 4, Section 22 of the Council's Constitution provides for a decision to be made by an individual member of Cabinet.

In accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Executive and the Chief Finance Officer are consulted together with Chairman and Vice Chairman of The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any other relevant overview and scrutiny committee. In addition, all Members are notified.

If five or more Members from those informed so request, the Leader may require the matter to be referred to Cabinet for determination.

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SUMMARY

The Winchester District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board (WDHWB) has been successful in securing funding from the Hampshire County Council's Public Health District Health and Wellbeing Grant Programme. The funding is ring fenced for a number of local initiatives that will help deliver priorities identified in the district health and wellbeing action plan. A Portfolio Holder Decision is now necessary to authorise the proposed expenditure and to make one-off increases to the Council's Health and Wellbeing income and expenditure budgets in 2014/15.

Under the terms of the Health and Social Care Act 2012, responsibility for public health leadership moved from the NHS to local government (upper tier and unitaries) with effect from April 2013. In addition, the Act gave upper tier and unitary authorities a responsibility to establish a statutory health and wellbeing board along with duties that included the development of a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) to help inform a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Hampshire's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy – 'Working together for a healthier Hampshire 2013 – 2018' sets out the agreed priorities to be addressed across the organisations represented at the statutory Health and Wellbeing Board which includes district councils.

The WDHWB was established by the City Council in 2011 to provide a structure that could respond to the proposed health reforms set out in the Health and Social Care Bill (which subsequently became the Health and Social Care Act 2012).

Membership is drawn from a wide range of stakeholders including WCC, the NHS, statutory agencies and voluntary and community sector organisations. The current Chair is the GP Locality Lead from West Hampshire NHS Clinical Commissioning Group and the Vice Chair is the WCC Portfolio Holder for Environment Health and Wellbeing. Its primary role is to promote the health and wellbeing of the residents of the Winchester District and to act as the main communication conduit for the district 'voice' at County level.

The work of the partnership is linked into that of the statutory Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board (HHWB) through the District Health and Wellbeing Forum. The Forum meets quarterly and brings together the chairs and lead officers from the district level health and wellbeing boards. It provides a two way link that gives opportunities for top down and bottom up influencing. The forum is chaired by Councillor Peter Moyle who sits as the district and borough council representative on HHWB.

The WDHWB acts as one of the 'delivery arms' for actions arising out of the Hampshire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013 – 2018 in so far as they are relevant to the Winchester District. It has developed an evidence based action plan for the district 'Working Towards a Healthier Winchester' which responds to issues identified through the JSNA process, and which also takes account of the priorities set out in the Sustainable Community Strategy and the NHS West Hampshire CCG Strategic Plan. Tackling health inequalities is an important underlying thread. The plan is closely aligned to the Hampshire strategy and is based around five themes:

- Starting and Developing Well
- Living and Working Well
- Ageing Well
- Healthier Communities
- Efficient Delivery and Effective Communications

The delivery of the Public Health duties for Hampshire County Council is enabled by a ring-fenced grant allocation, initially for 2013-2014 and 2014-2015. HCC Cabinet agreed in July 2013 that non-recurrent funding during 2013/14 and 2014/15 of £500,000 per year should be made available from the ring-fenced grant to 'support district delivery of health improvement work'. Bids had to be coordinated and submitted by district and borough level health and wellbeing boards on an individual or collaborative basis.

There have been two funding rounds to date. The first tranche of grants were agreed on 27 November 2013 by the HCC Executive Member for Adult Social Care

and Public Health. Details of the awards relevant to the Winchester District are shown at Appendix 1.

This decision notice is concerned with the second tranche of grant awards which were approved by the HCC Executive Member in March 2014, specifically the projects numbered 1 – 6 set out in Appendix 2. Details of two countywide projects have also been provided for information.

Each of the six projects has been through a robust selection process. Special meetings of the WDHWB were convened to scrutinise potential proposals and to agree which bids should go forward. Bids were further examined by members of the Hampshire District Health and Wellbeing Forum. For each successful bid detailed project plans have been agreed with HCC Public Health officers setting out the outcomes to be achieved and explaining how these will be measured and the projects evaluated. Grant agreements are also in place setting out the detailed conditions of funding.

Encouraging healthy lifestyles and ensuring our communities are healthy and safe are key objectives under the Active Communities priority outcome in the Sustainable Community Strategy.

DECISION

That the Portfolio Holder for Environment Health and Wellbeing authorise the proposed expenditure of £62,789 for the delivery of the projects numbered 1 – 6 as set out in Appendix 2 to be met from a one-off increase to the Council's Health and Wellbeing income and expenditure budgets, arising from a ring-fenced external grant.

REASON FOR THE DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

The decision is necessary to ensure that the City Council's budget for Health and Wellbeing is increased, on a one-off basis, in line with the grant awards set out in Appendix 2 – project numbers 1-6.

The WDHWB could have decided not to submit any applications which would severely compromise the ability of the board to deliver elements of the district action plan and would also have been contrary to the best interests of the residents of the Winchester District.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The Health and Wellbeing income and expenditure budgets will be increased by £62,789 for 2014/15 on a one-off basis. There will be no net increase as the project is fully externally funded.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN ON THE DECISION

The following have been consulted regarding the proposed expenditure:

- The Portfolio Holder for Housing in the previous municipal year who was also the Chair of the WDHWB in 2013/14
- The Portfolio Holder for Environment Health and Wellbeing – current Vice Chair of the WDHWB
- All members of the WDHWB
- Members of the Hampshire District Health and Wellbeing Forum
- HCC Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health
- HCC Director of Public Health

FURTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

N/A.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS BY THE DECISION MAKER OR A MEMBER OR OFFICER CONSULTED

The Portfolio Holder for Environment Health and Wellbeing is Vice Chair of the Winchester District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board.

DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

N/A

Approved by: (signature)

Date of Decision: 08.09.14

Councillor Jan Warwick – Portfolio Holder for Environment Health and Wellbeing

Public Health Grants Approved – Round One

Project	Partners involved	Amount awarded
<p>The Hampshire Workplace Wellbeing Charter – pump prime a workplace health specialist to liaise with businesses to encourage sign up.</p>	<p>Collaborative project involving five district/borough councils – Hart, Rushmoor, Winchester, Eastleigh & Basingstoke. Bid submitted by Hart.</p>	<p>£15,000</p>
<p>Community Health & Wellbeing Offer – range of physical activity initiatives linked to exercise referrals e.g. beginners running networks, community doorstep classes and health walks.</p>	<p>WCC – Sport & Physical Activity</p>	<p>£5,992</p>
<p>Dementia Awareness Training for Volunteers in West Hampshire - recruit, train and coordinate a team of volunteer community dementia champions to help deliver dementia awareness sessions in each of four local authority areas - it is additional and complementary to work being carried out through the Dementia Friendly Communities programme and the Dementia Friends initiative. Project aims to increase awareness and recognition of the early signs of dementia and develop capacity within local communities.</p>	<p>Collaborative project involving four West Hampshire district/borough councils – Winchester, Test Valley, Eastleigh and New Forest.</p> <p>Provider = Andover Mind</p>	<p>£60,000</p>

**Public Health Grants Approved – Round Two
Proposed Expenditure**

Project	Project to be delivered by:	Amount awarded
1. Breastfeeding Welcome Scheme - develop scheme for the Winchester District in retail and community venues.	Lanterns Children's Centre	£4,390
2. Young parents project at Stanmore - provide advice and support to young parents on a range of issues and develop social support networks.	Carroll Centre, Stanmore	£8,075
3. Head to Toe initiative for vulnerable/homeless people – a programme of health promotion and intervention for people made vulnerable by homelessness. The programme will aim to improve access to services and enhance current healthcare provision.	Trinity Winchester	£31,992
4. Kit Bags & Berets reminiscence project – reminiscence project for veterans with dementia.	Alzheimer's Society	£8,970
5. Community Cooking Skills sessions – 6 week course aimed at men over the age of 55 years. Shown how to cook simple, nutritious meals and encouraging social contacts which will reduce social isolation.	WCC – Health & Wellbeing	£1,362
6. Healthy eating project for Nightshelter clients - to expand a current healthy eating initiative for vulnerable people who	Winchester Nightshelter	£8,000

have difficulty eating healthily on a low income.		
Total grant expenditure		£62,789
Countywide Projects		
Hampshire Healthy Eating Award - Devise and implement a healthy eating award scheme for commercial catering establishments	Countywide initiative – led by Hart DC	£23,500
Volunteering for Health promotion campaign - a county-wide marketing campaign to promote volunteering as a way of improving health outcomes of Hampshire residents and provide opportunities to volunteer in local community and voluntary health and social care settings	Countywide initiative – led by Hart DC	£20,000