

REPORT OF THE
Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health
PART II

48. PUBLIC HEALTH STRATEGIC PROCUREMENT PLAN AND APPROVALS

1. On 20 September 2013, the then Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing (Public Health) approved proposals to implement a Strategic Procurement Plan to support the management of existing Public Health contracts. Approval was also given to put in place Single Tender Approvals for Public Health contracts from April 2014. The Executive Member also gave approval to extend the current School Nursing Services and Integrated Sexual Health Services as well as approval to go out to tender and award subsequent multi-year contracts for the provision of each service.

2. The Public Health responsibilities successfully transitioned into Hampshire County Council from Hampshire Primary Care Trust with effect from 1 April 2013. In light of the County Council's strategic Category Management approach to procurement, Public Health Services under review have initially been categorised into seven programmes. They are: school nursing, sexual health, health checks, substance misuse (drugs and alcohol), smoking cessation, weight management and dental services.

3. A planned and phased approach to procuring these programme based services as multiple lots under a main 'category' will further streamline their re-commissioning and revised contracting. This is intended to maximise economies of scale, reduce costs and improve efficiencies throughout the supply chain while improving outcomes for the residents of the County.

4. The alignment of contract end date is critical for the success of a strategic and aggregated services procurement plan. Single Tender Approvals are an important part of this overall plan in providing a suitable platform to maximise the benefits and provide sufficient time to undertake full evaluations of these new services to the County Council.

5. Further details can be found at www.hants.gov.uk/councilmeetings.htm by typing in the relevant reference number:

- Public Health Strategic Procurement Plan and Approvals (5128)

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