

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health
Date:	27 January 2015
Title:	Dementia Advisor Service in Hampshire
Reference:	6355
Report From:	Director of Adult Services

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1. The decision:

- a) That the Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health give approval to put in place a contract on basis of single tender for 1 year, for the continued delivery of the Dementia Advisor Service across Hampshire by the current service providers, to commence on 1 October 2015 with an annual contract value of up to £377, 249. This will give a total contract value since the last tender of £1,487,123.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The Dementia Advisor Service in Hampshire was established in October 2012 in response to the National Dementia Strategy 2009 and as part of the implementation of Hampshire's joint Older People's Mental Health Strategy.
- 2.2. The existing contracts expire at the end of September 2015 with no further room within the contracts themselves to be extended.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. With a significant proportion of the funding for the service, approximately 40%, coming from Clinical Commissioning Groups agreed as part of the Better Care Fund, though discussions with health partners are ongoing, no agreement has been reached beyond the end of March 2016. The cost and time commitment involved in completing a full tender, for both providers and the local authority would be disproportionately high if further funding is not agreed and the contract only runs for one year. This is not a good use of public resources, particularly in this time of great financial constraint and the focus of the Better Care Fund on streamlining, working together and best use of public funding.

3.2. To ensure we retain the accrued benefits from delivery of this service, avoid disruption of service to service users and poor use of public resources, the preferred procurement option would be to put in place a Single Tender Agreement to extend the current contract until 2016, at which point, if further funding was agreed, the service would be put out to full tender.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: Not applicable

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:	Date:
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Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health Councillor Liz Fairhurst	