

REPORT OF THE
Executive Member for Health and Public Health
PART II

201. LEVEL 3 SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICES

1. At her meeting on 18 January 2016, the Executive Member for Health and Public Health gave approval to spend up to a total value of £61,277,062 over a maximum period of 7 years for Level 3 Sexual Health Services, to commence from 1 April 2017.

2. Local authorities are the responsible commissioner for Level 3 Sexual Health Services and existing contract responsibilities were transitioned into the County Council from April 2013, and will expire on 31 March 2017. Level 3 Sexual Health Services provide specialist community sexual health services which include the provision of comprehensive, confidential, open-access services for:

- Contraception
- STI testing and treatment
- Chlamydia screening programme 15-24 year olds
- Psychosexual counselling
- Specialist outreach services for young people
- Sexual Health Promotion and HIV prevention services

3. While Sexual Health in Hampshire is improving, demand for most Level 3 Sexual Health Services has been increasing. Between 2013/14 and 2014/15 there has been an 11% increase in the number of Hampshire residents attending local sexual health clinics for sexually transmitted infection testing and a 9.6% increase in Hampshire residents attending local clinics for contraception. 56,000 Hampshire residents were seen in local Level 3 Sexual Health Services in 2014/15 and it is estimated that a further 5,000 - 10,000 were seen out of the County. This level of increase in demand is clearly not sustainable and a sexual health transformation programme has been developed with the current provider to identify and pilot alternative ways to meet increasing demand within available resources.

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

- Level 3 Sexual Health Services (search item reference 7133)

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