



# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

**DECISION TAKEN BY:** Mr G Gibbens

**DECISION NO.** 08/01252

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**Subject:**  
**EAST KENT MENTAL HEALTH DAY SERVICES CONTRACT**

**Decision:**  
 To approve the award to contractor A for managing East Kent Mental Health Day Services 2009/2012. as they scored the highest weighted score at Stage 2 of the tendering process and submitted the lowest priced tender.

**Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken:**  
 None

**Reason(s) for decision, including alternatives considered and any additional information:**  
 The East Kent Mental Health Day Services are currently provided in house and are the only such in-house managed services of the sort in the county. A previous decision has been made (08/01212) to test the market for a suitable alternative provider. This was endorsed by the Adult Social Services Policy Overview Committee on 18 November 2008.

The tender was published in the EU Journal and there was an expression of interest from 29 organisations. Eight organisations submitted pre-tender questionnaires which resulted in six being approved to go forward to the next stage. One organisation subsequently withdrew. Details of the evaluation criteria were as specified in the Managing Director's Report. Following this evaluation process the bottom two were rejected.

Stage 2 of the tendering process was for the remaining three organisations to resubmit their bids ensuring accuracy and best value. Following a further evaluation process the lower bid is now approved a three year contract, subject to any amendments relating to the start date or other minor issues prior to the contract being signed.

Consideration has been given to the costs of modernising these services in house as shown within the Managing Director's Report, as are the implications of this modernisation process on Staff under the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment).

**Background Information:**  
 Exempt Report by the Managing Director, Kent Adult Social Services: East Kent Mental Health Day Services Contract (Decision 08/01252).

signed

**G Gibbens**

date

**15 January 2009**

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Decision Referred to Cabinet Scrutiny			
YES		NO	

Cabinet Scrutiny Decision to Refer Back for Reconsideration			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration Record Sheet Issued			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration of Decision Published	