# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

### **DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:**

Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health

DECISION NO: 16/00046

For publication

Subject: Contract Extensions for Living Well/Ageing Well services – Smoking Cessation, Health Checks, Health Trainers and Healthy Weight – to 31st March 2017

#### Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health, I agree to extend the current contracts for Living Well/Ageing Well services – Smoking Cessation, Health Checks, Health Trainers and Healthy Weight – to 31st March 2017 to develop a transformative service models, prior to the competitive tendering of a new model.

# Reason(s) for decision:

Decision exceeds key decision financial criteria

#### Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee discussed the matter at its meeting on 10th March 2016 and the key points were noted as follows:

- 1. Mr Scott-Clark and Ms Sharp introduced the report and emphasised the need for a balance of intervention and prevention over the short and long-term to achieve sustainable health improvement, and for local authorities to be partners in this work. To support this partnership working, the County Council's procurement process had been aligned with those of its district council and NHS partners. An extension to the contract would be requested, to allow time to further develop this joint working.
- 2. Mr Scott-Clark and Ms Sharp responded to comments and questions from Members, as follows:-
  - a) the County Council wanted to implement its new adult health improvement model as soon
    as possible and wanted to make the procurement process for this as efficient as possible.
    It would spend the extension time to clarify what could be delivered by current partnership
    working and what would need to be procured elsewhere or by other means; and
  - b) the potential role of district council partners and the Kings Fund in identifying and addressing health improvement issues had not previously been drawn on, but the role of district councils in controlling licensing and housing would make a valuable contribution, and district council-run leisure facilities could also offer much to support health improvement projects in an area.
- 3. RESOLVED that the feedback from stakeholders since January and the opportunities for working jointly with partners on the re-commissioning of adult health improvement services be noted.

Other consultation planned or undertaken:

The transformation of services will be developed in partnership with key stakeholders, including the seven Local Health and Wellbeing Boards.

# Any alternatives considered:

An earlier competitive tendering process was considered, but, for the reasons outlined in the accompanying recommendation report, this was not followed.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

signed

20 JULY 2016