

Urgent Cabinet Report/Delegated Decision Form

Report/Decision Title	LDF care and support provision Delegated Power 455: Exemption The award is for emergency social care, special educational needs, or residential care that is required in circumstances of extreme urgency in order to meet the Council's statutory requirements.
Date of request	24.12.2022
Date of meeting/decision	

Urgent – General Exception - Reasons for urgency outlined below

The award is urgent for a young person with complex needs where 28 days' notice had been given on their current placement and despite referrals to our Fostering and Residential Frameworks, we have not found a suitable placement to meet their needs. We are now seeking to appoint a provider "off framework" on an extremely urgent basis due to the limited time we have between the current placement ending and a provision being required.

The CQC regulated service for children 0-18 service identified will deliver 3:1 support 24/7 will include a Team Leader who oversees staff, carries out staff supervision, ensures the support is being delivered effectively in line with the Care Plan to meet the young persons needs and our statutory duty.

I confirm that the relevant chair of Scrutiny and Improvement Committee (or if there is not chair, the whole committee individually) and the Cabinet Member have been informed by notice in writing of the decision to be taken.

Officer name (Delegated Power Author)	Andrew Hames	Officer Signature		Date	24.12.2022
Assistant Director Name	Vicky McLeod	Assistant Director signature		Date	03/01/2022

This urgent report/decision has been seen and agreed by the following:

Officer / Member	Signature
Managing Director	
Section 151 Officer	
Monitoring Officer	

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Are the details of the decision to be public or confidential?

Public

If the details of the decision are confidential, please select the category for exemption under the Local Government Act 1972

Choose an item.

Reference	CF-23-001
Corporate Plan Priority	Meeting Residents' Needs
Delegation Title	LDF care and support provision
Delegated Power Number	Delegated Power 455: Exemption The award is for emergency social care, special educational needs, or residential care that is required in circumstances of extreme urgency in order to meet the Council's statutory requirements.
Date of Exercise	12/01/2023
Cabinet Member	Cllr Alison Barnes
Assistant Director	Victoria McLeod

Type of Decision (Key/Executive/Non-Executive)	Key - Executive
FOR KEY DECISIONS ONLY	
Delegated Power Forward Plan Ref	N/A
Date Decision Published in Forward Plan	
Urgency (For Key Decisions not included in Forward Plan only)	Urgent - General Exception - Forms Attached

Background to Decision:

Many of our young people supported in care have complex needs including Trauma, Attachment Disorder, ASD, ADHD or learning disabilities to name but a few and require specialist provision to meet their needs.

We have a young person with complex needs where 28 days notice had been given on their current placement and despite referrals to our Fostering and Residential Frameworks we have not found a suitable placement to meet their needs. We are now seeking to appoint a provider "off framework" on an extremely urgent basis due to the limited time we have between the current placement ending.

The CQC regulated for children 0-18 service identified will deliver 3:1 support 24/7 will include a Team Leader who oversees staff, carries out staff supervision, ensures the support is being delivered effectively etc in line with the Care Plan. The team also has a Key Worker who works with the Young Person to define their goals, ambitions and interests. A Regional Manager overseeing each team and who visits the team regularly to ensure the support is being delivered to high standards, carries out any debriefing

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sessions and checks the Mental Health of staff (which is a vital element of being able to offer such high standards. In addition, there is a Quality and Training Manager who carries out Quality Visits, ensures all policies and procedures are followed, checks staff are all suitably trained and advises on additional training needs.

We are now seeking approval to enter into a contract with the provider for an emergency social care provision, that is required in circumstances of extreme urgency due to timescales in order to meet the young persons' needs for appropriate accommodation and the Council's statutory requirements.

We will continue to search for a registered residential provision for this young person.

Decision Considerations:

The exemption is required to maintain services for a young person, to meet our statutory duties and allow for services to achieve better outcomes for our young person within our borough.

The Supplier Questionnaire will be issued to the supplier to ensure appropriate checks are made.

Full details of decision:

To enter into a contract with Protective Care Group, Elkstone Studios, Damson Barn, Unit 4, Elkstone, Gloucestershire, GL53 9PQ for the delivery of Homecare (Domiciliary care) services.

Contract start date is the 21st Nov2022 for a period of 16 weeks – this may reduce should a suitable regulated accommodation placement be found.

Financial detail:

The contract value for 3 Support staff 24/7 will be £20,218.08pw split with health
Health split 50% of the cost in the amount of £10,109.04
RCBC split 50% in the amount of £10,109.04pw plus additional travel/subsistence up to £190pw

The full contract value will be up to 16 weeks; £323,489.28 split with health.
Health split 50% of the cost in the amount of £161,744.64
RCBC split 50% in the amount of £161,744.64 plus additional travel/subsistence up to £3040

Payment terms for the provider are 14 days. The service will be for a minimum of 16 weeks. RCBC may give 4 weeks' notice after week 8.

Delivering Social Value:

The provider will be asked to sign up to the Council's Social Value Charter.

Reasons for Decision:

To meet the Council's statutory requirements, and to meet the needs of the vulnerable young person who is in need of support.

Details of alternative options considered (if any) and reasons for rejection:

The service requirement has been advertised through our frameworks without success before advertising wider which has led to the offer that can meet our needs.

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Details of any conflict of interest declared by any Elected Member consulted in relation to the decision:	
Details of any dispensation granted in respect of any conflict of interest:	
Background Papers:	
Officer Name (Print)	Andrew Hames
Officer Signature	
Submission date	11.12.2022
Procurement Approval	Request complies with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules

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Reference	CF-23-001
Delegated Power Forward Plan Reference	N/A
Corporate Plan Priority	Meeting Residents' Needs
Delegation Title	Accommodation Support
Delegated Power Number	Delegated Power 455: Exemption The award is for emergency social care, special educational needs, or residential care that is required in circumstances of extreme urgency in order to meet the Council's statutory requirements.
Date of Exercise	12/01/2023
Cabinet Member	CLlr Alison Barnes
Assistant Director	Victoria McLeod

Signatures

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN	Date 30/12/2022
CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER	Date 03/01/2023
CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	Date 03/01/2023
CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES	Date 12/01/2023

Call-In (Key Decisions Only)

Call-In to be dis-applied due to urgency, reasons as follows:
Urgent requirement to provide accommodation to meet our statutory requirements.

Date Decision will become effective	31/01/23 To be completed by Democratic Services – date will be not less than expiry of 5 working days from publication unless urgency applies.
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