

# EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Council Officer



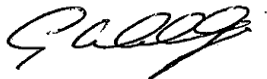
## REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY AN INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL OFFICER

Executive Decision Reference Number – COD02 24/25

Decision	
1	<b>Title of decision:</b> Direct Contract Award: Plymouth Domestic Abuse Service
2	<b>Decision maker:</b> Gary Walbridge, Interim Strategic Director for Adults, Health and Communities. (formerly Strategic Director for People)
3	<b>Report author and contact details:</b> Karlina Hall, Senior Commissioning Officer, <a href="mailto:Karlina.hall@plymouth.gov.uk">Karlina.hall@plymouth.gov.uk</a> , tel: 01752 304415
4a	<b>Decision to be taken:</b> To direct award the Plymouth Domestic Abuse Service (PDAS) contract for 10 months to Sanctuary Housing Association. The Contract Value is £777,297 with no options to extend.
4b	<b>Reference number of original executive decision or date of original committee meeting where delegation was made:</b> Cabinet Decision 08 December 2022 (Minute 79) – Business case for the procurement of the domestic abuse service. Cabinet agreed to delegate the decision and the award of the contract to the Strategic Director for People.
5	<b>Reasons for decision:</b> The PDAS Contract (with Sanctuary as the incumbent provider) is ending on 31 May 2024. The new PDAS contract will start on 1 June 2024 and end on 31 March 2025. A procurement of a new service will need to take place during this time, in line with Contract Standing Orders with the new contract starting on 1 April 2025. During this period the incumbent provider will be working with the council to ensure the service is ready for the transition for the permanent long term contract.
6	<b>Alternative options considered and rejected:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do Nothing – allow the PDAS contract to end on May 31st 2024. We have a statutory duty to provide safe accommodation and this would lead to vulnerable adults and families with children who are survivors of domestic abuse having no support.</li> <li>Award a direct contract for an extended period of 3-5 years. This would not make the required changes needed to ensure that the service meets the needs of the victims and survivors of domestic abuse into the future. In addition a longer contract could be challenged by other providers who would want the opportunity to bid for the service contract.</li> </ul>
7	<b>Financial implications and risks:</b>

	The Contract Value is £777,297 with no options to extend. This will be funded from the revenue budget of Strategic Commissioning service.			
	No financial risks identified – the service budget is available to cover the period of extension.			
8	Is the decision a <b>Key Decision?</b> (please contact <b>Democratic Support</b> for further advice)	Yes	No	<b>Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which:</b>
			X	in the case of <b>capital</b> projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of <b>£3million</b> in total
			X	in the case of <b>revenue</b> projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of <b>£1 million</b>
			X	is <b>significant</b> in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising <b>two or more</b> wards in the area of the local authority.
8b	If yes, date of publication of the notice in the <b>Forward Plan of Key Decisions</b>	N/A		
9	Please specify how this decision is linked to the Council's corporate plan/Plymouth Plan and/or the policy framework and/or the revenue/capital budget:	The services align to keeping children, adults and communities safe priority through focusing on prevention and early intervention and ensuring that children and young people and adults are protected.		
10	Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)	No implications		
<b>Urgent decisions</b>				
11	Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?	Yes		(If yes, please contact <b>Democratic Support</b> for advice)
		No	X	(If no, go to section 13a)
12a	Reason for urgency:			
12b	Scrutiny Chair signature:		Date	

	<b>Scrutiny Committee name:</b>			
	<b>Print Name:</b>			
<b>Consultation</b>				
<b>I3a</b>	<b>Which Cabinet Member's portfolio does this decision relate to?</b>	Councillor Sally Haydon (Community Safety, Libraries, Events, Cemeteries and Crematoria)		
<b>I3b</b>	<b>Date Cabinet Members consulted</b>	29/04/24		
<b>I3c</b>	<b>Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		<b>No</b>		(If no go to section 14)
<b>I3d</b>	<b>Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?</b>	Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)		
<b>I3e</b>	<b>Date other Cabinet member(s) consulted</b>	29/04/24		
<b>I4</b>	<b>Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer
		<b>No</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>I5</b>	<b>Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?</b>	<b>Name</b>	Gary Walbridge	
		<b>Job title</b>	Interim Strategic Director of Adults, Health and Communities	
		<b>Date consulted</b>	13/05/2024	
<b>Sign-off</b>				
<b>I6</b>	<b>Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:</b>	<b>Democratic Support (mandatory)</b>	DS03 24/25	
		<b>Finance (mandatory)</b>	HS.24.25.03	
		<b>Legal (mandatory)</b>	LS/2110/kt/240424	
		<b>Human Resources (if applicable)</b>	N/A	
		<b>Corporate property (if applicable)</b>	N/A	
		<b>Procurement (if applicable)</b>	SS/SC/051/ED/CA/0324	
<b>Appendices</b>				

<b>17</b>	<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Title of appendix</b>							
	A	PDAS Briefing Report March 2024 FINAL							
	B	EIA							
<b>Confidential/exempt information</b>									
<b>18a</b>	<b>Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box in <b>18b</b> below.					
		<b>No</b>	<b>X</b>						
			<b>Exemption Paragraph Number</b>						
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>18b</b>	<b>Confidential/exempt briefing report title:</b>								
<b>Background Papers</b>									
<b>19</b>	Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based. If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.								
<b>Title of background paper(s)</b>			<b>Exemption Paragraph Number</b>						
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N/A									
<b>Council Officer Signature</b>									
<b>20</b>	I agree the decision and confirm that it is not contrary to the Council's policy and budget framework, Corporate Plan or Budget. In taking this decision I have given due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.								
<b>Signature</b>				<b>Date of decision</b>		13/05/2024			
<b>Print Name</b>		Gary Walbridge (Interim Strategic Director for Adults, Health and Communities)							