

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Council Officer



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


Executive Decision Reference Number – COD16 24/25

Decision	
1	Title of decision: Plymouth Adults' Care Home Contract Awards
2	Decision maker: Gary Walbridge (Strategic Director for Adults, Health and Communities)
3	Report author and contact details: Megan Chilton (Commissioning Officer). E-mail: Megan.chilton@plymouth.gov.uk
4a	Decision to be taken: To award the following contracts: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PEO/24155 Lot 1 - Residential Care Home with or without Nursing Services (with a PL postcode) 2. PEO/25002 Lot 2 - Residential Care Home with or without Nursing Services with innovation (with a PL postcode) The total contract value for 10 years is £500,000,000 (The anticipated duration of the Framework Contract is for 5 years with possible extensions of 3 years plus 2 years)
4b	Reference number of original executive decision or date of original committee meeting where delegation was made: Cabinet 9 September 2024 – Recommissioning of Care Homes
5	Reasons for decision: The council has a statutory duty to provider adult social care including Residential & Nursing care. Cabinet 9 September 2024 agreed the business case and procurement for the 'Recommissioning of Care Homes' to establish an open framework. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A light touch open procedure tender process, which is a single stage Procurement consisting of the conditions of participation and the award criteria, has been undertaken in line with the Procurement Act 2023 and Plymouth City Council's Contract Standing Orders to recommission Plymouth Adults' Care Home services. 2. The suppliers who submitted a complete and compliant tender will be awarded a contract/place on the Framework.
6	Alternative options considered and rejected: Do Nothing - This would mean taking no action to increase or change the capacity in the care home market and rely on market forces to provide the increased beds and quality of care required by demographic and social policy changes.

	Award spot contracts – The Act specifically allows direct awards for "light touch services" where an individual or their carer's view is central (e.g., social care), to award to a preferred provider – wouldn't achieve best value.			
7	Financial implications and risks: The total contract value for 10 years is £500,000,000 (The anticipated duration of the Framework Contract is for 5 years with possible extensions of 3 years plus 2 years). This will be funded through the Adult Social Care revenue budget.			
8	Legal Implications:			
9	Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact Democratic Services for further advice) Please type an X into the relevant boxes	Yes	No	Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which: in the case of capital projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of £3million in total in the case of revenue projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of £1 million annually is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the local authority.
	If yes, date of publication of the notice in the <u>Forward Plan of Key Decisions</u>	14 November 2025		
10	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 Plymouth Plan 2014-2034 details the Local Authority's ambition to ensure people get the right care from the right people at the right time to improve their health and wellbeing.		
11	Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)	No implications anticipated. A climate impact assessment has been completed.		
Urgent decisions				
12a	Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public? Please type an X into the relevant box	Yes		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support (democraticservices@plymouth.gov.uk) for advice)
		No	X	(If no, go to section 13a)
12b	Reason for urgency:			

I2c	Scrutiny Chair Signature:		Date
	Scrutiny Committee name:		
	Print Name:		
Consultation			
I3a	Which Cabinet Member's portfolio does this decision relate to?	Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)	
I3b	Date Cabinet Member consulted	3 December 2025	
I3c	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes	
		No	X (If no go to section I4)
I4	Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision? Please type an X into the relevant box	Yes	If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer
		No	
I5	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name	Gary Walbridge
		Job title	Strategic Director of Adults, Health and Communities
		Date consulted	
Sign-off			
I6	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	JS57 25/26
		Finance (mandatory)	OW.25.26.106
		Legal (mandatory)	LS/4552(15)/RH/22 1225
		Procurement (if applicable)	JS/AHC/809/ED/12/ 25
		Corporate property (decisions involving Council owned land or facilities) (if applicable)	N/A

		Human Resources (if applicable)	N/A					
Appendices								
17	Ref.	Title of appendix						
	A	Plymouth Adults Care Home Procurement Briefing Paper (Part I)						
	B	Plymouth Adults Care Home Procurement Decision Record (Part II)						
	C	EIA Plymouth Adults Care Home						
	D	CIA Plymouth Adults' Care Home Framework PLY-2655-25 14-11-2025						
Confidential/exempt information								
18a	Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information? Please type an X into the relevant box	Yes	X	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 18b below. (Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)				
		No						
		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		I	2	3	4	5	6	7
18b	Confidential/exempt briefing report title: B - Plymouth Adults Care Home Procurement Decision Record (Part II)			X				
Background Papers								
19	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.							
Title of background paper(s)		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		I	2	3	4	5	6	7
N/A								
Cabinet Member Signature								

20	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 (2010) and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.		
Signature		Date of decision	23.12.2025
Print Name	Gary Walbridge (Strategic Director for Adults, Health and Communities)		