

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Council Officer



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


Executive Decision Reference Number – COD10 25/26

Decision	
1	Title of decision: Passporting the Rough Sleeper Prevention and Recovery Grant (RSPARG) Top Up Funding to the Plymouth Alliance & Direct Awards to Partner Organisations.
2	Decision maker: Gary Walbridge (Director for Adults, Health and Communities)
3	Report author and contact details: Jackie Kings (Head of Housing Solutions), Jackie.Kings@plymouth.gov.uk
4a	Decision to be taken: : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To Approve the transfer of the revenue funds of £478,649 to the Plymouth Alliance Via deed of Contract Variation to the Complex Needs Alliance Contract Reference PEO 16175. 2. To Approve the direct award of the revenue funds to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Adelaide Surgery – £217,532 b. Trevi - £34,000 c. Plymouth Community Homes - £63,750 d. Plymouth University - £62,570
4b	Reference number of original executive decision or date of original committee meeting where delegation was made: Committee Report Complex Needs Alliance FINAL.pdf Cabinet, 11 March 2024. For Variation to the Complex Needs Alliance Contract. (only applies to the Plymouth Alliance)
5	Reasons for decision: To passport and direct award the RSPARG Top Up funding to deliver the service interventions in the health, housing and homelessness pilot. MHCLG provides annual funding that is ringfenced and must be used to deliver the agreed service interventions. <i>(A contract variation for the Plymouth Alliance contract is a formal amendment that updates the agreement between Plymouth City Council and the Alliance when changes to funding, scope or service delivery are required. It sets out the specific adjustments being made, such as revised contract values to support new roles or activities, while confirming that all other terms remain unchanged. This ensures that any changes are authorised, transparent and properly recorded within the existing contract framework.)</i>

6	Alternative options considered and rejected: The Council to deliver these services directly. <ul style="list-style-type: none">This has been discounted as it does not have the expertise to deliver these services. The Council to commission a new contact. <ul style="list-style-type: none">This has been discounted due to the funding time frame and that a majority of the funding is to be passported to the Plymouth Alliance. The Council to not commission any services <ul style="list-style-type: none">This has been discounted as the funding has been accepted and must be used for service delivery			
7	Financial implications and risks: This grant allocation of £856,501 for the 2025 to 2026 financial year is entirely revenue funding. It will be used to support services delivered through the Plymouth Alliance of which Plymouth City Council is a member, as well as through direct awards to partner organisations including Adelaide Surgery, Trevi, Plymouth Community Homes and the University of Plymouth. This funding will contribute to homelessness prevention and relief and help manage the significant financial pressures associated with the Council’s response to homelessness. Financial risk is minimised as this is funded through external grant funding.			
8	Legal Implications and risks: The variation to the Plymouth Alliance contract will be documented			
9a	Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact Democratic Support for further advice)	Yes	No	Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which: <div><div>x</div>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</div> <div><div>x</div>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</div> <div><div>x</div>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.</div>
9b	If yes, date of publication of the notice in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions	N/A		
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:	Plymouth Alliance and other partners will specifically target priorities: Working with the Police to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour, keeping children, adults and communities safe, working with the NHS to provide better access to health, care and dentistry. It will work to		

		enhance the provision of public services, it will be trusting and engaging with communities, will focus on prevention and early intervention, spending money wisely, will engage and empower		
11	Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)	No adverse impacts anticipated.		
Urgent decisions				
12 a	Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?	Yes		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support for advice)
		No	X	(If no, go to section 13a)
12 b	Reason for urgency:			
12 c	Scrutiny Chair signature:		Date	
	Scrutiny Committee name:			
	Print Name:			
Consultation				
13 a	Which Cabinet Member's portfolio does this decision relate to?	Councillor Chris Penberthy (Cabinet Member for Housing, Cooperative Development and Communities).		
13 b	Date Cabinet Member consulted	10 th November 2025		
13 c	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes	X	
		No		(If no go to section 14)
13 d	Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?	Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health, Adult Social Care)		
13 e	Date other Cabinet member(s) consulted	10 th November 2025		
14	Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?	Yes		If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer
		No	x	
15		Name	Gary Walbridge	

	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Job title	Director for Adults, Health and Communities											
		Date consulted	4 th December 2025											
Sign-off														
16	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	JS60 25/26											
		Finance (mandatory)	DN.25.26.002											
		Legal (mandatory)	LS/00001312/2/AC/22/12/25											
		Human Resources (if applicable)	n/a											
		Corporate property (if applicable)	n/a											
		Procurement (if applicable)	LL/AHC/806/ED/12/25											
Appendices														
17	Ref.	Title of appendix												
	A	Briefing report for publication												
	B	Equalities Impact Assessment												
Confidential/exempt information														
18a	Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?	Yes		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.										
		No	x											
			Exemption Paragraph Number											
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7					
18b	Confidential/exempt briefing report title:													
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						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Contract Standing Order Waivers for Direct Awards:				X				
PRO011.v2 - CSO Waiver Authorisation Form_ Adelaide Surgery								
PRO011.v2 - CSO Waiver Authorisation Form_ Plymouth Community Homes								
PRO011.v2 - CSO Waiver Authorisation Form_ Trevi								
PRO011.v2 - CSO Waiver Authorisation Form_ University of Plymouth								
Council Officer 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 and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.							
Signature				Date of decision	6 January 2026			
Print Name	Gary Walbridge (Director for Adults, Health and Communities)							