



Adult Social Care Fund

Report of Strategic Policy and Partnerships Manager

PURPOSE OF REPORT			
To delegate to the Chief Executive the authority to sign the Adult Social Care Transformation Funding Collaboration Agreement with Lancashire County Council, for the City Council to act as the Accountable Body for the fund and to enter into an agreement with Lancaster District CVS for delivery of the project.			
Key Decision		Non-Key Decision	/ Referral from Cabinet Member
Date of notice of forthcoming key decision	n/a		
This report is public however Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 is exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 3, of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972			

RECOMMENDATION

- (1) That the Chief Executive be delegated the authority to sign the Adult Social Care Transformation Funding Collaboration Agreement in order for the City Council to act as the Accountable Body for the fund.
- (2) That an agreement be entered into with Lancaster District CVS for delivery of the project (s)

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Funding of up to £220k per Lancashire area (North / Central / East) has been made available to community groups and VCFSE organisations via the Adult Social Care Transformation Funding. Voluntary sector infrastructure support is critical in developing a dynamic and sustainable VCFSE which will support the Transformation Funding agenda. £20k of the overall funding will be allocated per area for the administration of a small grants provision element of the project.
- 1.2 Whilst £110,000 will be passported to the City Council for delivery of the project(s) under the Collaboration Agreement, operational delivery will be by way of a further agreement with Lancaster District CVS.
- 1.3 The City Council will however act as the Accountable Body for the fund for Lancashire North – Lancaster District.

2.0 Proposal Details

2.1 It is proposed that the Collaboration Agreement is signed so that the Adult Social Care Transformation funding can be delivered quickly and efficiently via Lancaster District CVS in line with the objectives of the fund.

3.0 Details of Consultation

3.1 Consultation was not required for the fund.

4.0 Options and Options Analysis (including risk assessment)

	Option 1: Accept the details of the Collaboration Agreement and act as Accountable Body for the fund.	Option 2: Do not accept the details in the Collaboration Agreement and do not act as Accountable Body for the fund.	Option 3: N/A
Advantages	Enable Lancaster District CVS to commence delivery of the fund and achieve the funds objectives.	No advantages identified.	
Disadvantages	No disadvantages identified.	This would result in a barrier in the delivery plans for the fund and its objectives.	
Risks	No risks identified.	Failure to deliver the benefits of the fund in the district.	

5.0 Officer Preferred Option (and comments)

5.1 Option 1.

6.0 Conclusion

6.1 This report provides an introduction and proposal outline for the Adult Social Care Transformation Fund. The details in the report should support an informed decision. The Officer Preferred Option is Option 1 so that the City Council acts as Accountable Body for the fund and enters into an agreement with Lancaster District CVS for delivery.

RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK

The Adult Social Care Transformation Fund aligns with the Council Plan 2024-2027. The delivery of the fund will achieve place-based outcomes for a Happy and Healthy Community.

CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT

(including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, HR, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

Not required as part of the Collaboration Agreement with Lancashire County Council.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under the terms of the Collaboration Agreement the City Council can engage a provider to

carry its obligations. It is understood that Lancaster District CVS will be engaged to do this and legal services will ensure that all obligations are pass to LDCVS under a separate agreement.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No direct financial implications. The increased workload required from within the Strategic Policy and Partnerships Team, whilst expected to minimal can be met from within existing resources.

OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Human Resources:

N/A externally delivered.

Information Services:

N/A externally delivered.

Property:

N/A externally delivered.

Open Spaces:

N/A externally delivered.

SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments to add.

MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted. We are, in effect, acting as an Accountable Body only for this funding and therefore under the Financial Procedure Rules a decision is required.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix 1(Exempt)

Adult Social Care Transformation Fund:
Collaboration Agreement

Appendix 2 (Exempt)

ASC Transformation Funding Proposal

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