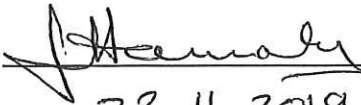


Record of individual Cabinet member decision

Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Decision made by	Jenny Hannaby
Key decision?	Yes
Date of decision (same as date form signed)	28.11.2019
Name and job title of officer requesting the decision	Jaffa Holland Housing Advice Team Leader
Officer contact details	Tel: 01235 422259 Email: Jaffa.holland@southandvale.gov.uk
Decision	To award the contract for a Floating Support and Winter Shelter Co-ordinator Officer to Connection Oxford Ltd. The contract is fully funded by the Flexible Homelessness Support Grant.
Reasons for decision	<p>The prevention of homelessness is a key aim of Vale of White Horse District Council.</p> <p>As part of a review of homelessness services, the council identified an opportunity to further strengthen its success in preventing homelessness by procuring a specialist floating support Officer.</p> <p>The Floating Support and Winter Shelter Co-ordinator Officer will work with highly vulnerable individuals and families who are at imminent risk of becoming homeless and require intensive and holistic outreach support to maintain their accommodation. This may include help accessing statutory and voluntary support services, tenancy maintenance, debt management and assistance into employment.</p> <p>The Officer will also support the operation of winter shelter provision for South and Vale rough sleepers in Oxfordshire. The Officer will oversee access into winter shelter provision and work closely with the council's outreach service and specialist Housing Needs Officer to support and secure accommodation for South and Vale rough sleepers.</p> <p>The tender process was conducted in full accordance with the council's Contract Procedure Rules.</p>

	<p>The contract is for a period of two years, with an option to extend by one year. The potential cost of the contract is £142,718 (over three years). It is fully funded from the Flexible Homelessness Support Grant and the cost will be equally divided 50/50 per cent between South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils.</p> <p>One bid was received that met the tender requirements and offered value for money. The bid was submitted by Connection Oxford Ltd.</p>			
Alternative options rejected	<p>To directly recruit to the position of a Floating Support and Winter Shelter Co-ordinator Officer.</p> <p>This option was rejected as the position is a specialist role that is most effectively provided by a dedicated service with expertise in the field.</p>			
Legal implications	<p>There are no legal implications arising from the procurement of the Floating Support and Winter Shelter Co-ordinator role.</p>			
Financial implications	<p>The potential total cost of the contract of £142,718 over three years is fully funded from the Flexible Homelessness Support Grant. This grant is ring-fenced for the purpose of either preventing or relieving homelessness.</p>			
Other implications	<p>None</p>			
Background papers considered	<p>None</p>			
Declarations/conflict of interest? Declaration of other councillor/officer consulted by the Cabinet member?	<p>None</p>			
List consultees		Name	Outcome	Date
	Ward councillors	n/a		
	Legal	Stephen Moorhouse 7633	Approved	21.11.2019
	Finance	Emma Creed	Agreed	21.11.2019
	Human resources	n/a		
	Sustainability	n/a		
	Diversity and equality	n/a		
	Communications	n/a		

	Senior Management Team	SMT	Approved	27.11.2019
Confidential decision? If so, under which exempt category?	No			
Call-in waived by Scrutiny Committee chairman?	No			
Has this been discussed by Cabinet members?	Yes			
Cabinet portfolio holder's signature To confirm the decision as set out in this notice.	Signature  Date <u>28.11.2019</u>			

ONCE SIGNED, THIS FORM MUST BE HANDED TO DEMOCRATIC SERVICES IMMEDIATELY.

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Form received	Date: <u>29/11/2019</u>	Time: <u>10.30 am</u>
Date published to all councillors	Date: <u>29/11/2019</u>	
Call-in deadline	Date: <u>6/12/2019</u>	Time: <u>5.00 pm</u>

