

Report of the Head of Adult Social Care Commissioning

Report to the Interim Director of Adult Social Services

Date: 11th December 2014

Subject: To seek approval from the Interim Director of Adult Social Services to utilise the second of two 12 month extension periods of the existing 3+1+1 year contract with St John of God (SJOG) from April 1st 2015 to 31st March 2016 in accordance with Contract Procedure Rules (CPRs) 21.1 and 21.2

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. SJOG was awarded a three year contract, plus two 12 month extensions in January 2011, following a procurement exercise to provide care and support at Terry Yorath House (TYH), a residential care home for people with physical and/or learning disabilities. SJOG current contract value is £435,700.
2. The original contract term was from 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2014 with the option to extend for a further two twelve-month periods. The initial three years of the contract award expired 31st March 2014 and the first extension was evoked during 2014/5. ASC would like to utilise CPRs 21.1 and 21.2 to extend SJOG's contract using the second of two 12 month extensions.

Recommendations

3. The Interim Director of Adult Social Services is recommended to extend the contract with SJOG utilising the second of two 12 month extensions starting from April 1st 2015 to 31st March 2016 in accordance with CPRs 21.1 and 21.2. The contract value for SJOG during 2015/16 is £435,700

4. The Commissioning Manager, Adult Social Care, will implement this decision directly after it has been taken, subject to the necessary clearance process being completed, by issuing the relevant contract extension documentation to the provider.

1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Interim Director of Social Services to utilise the second 12 month extension period of the existing 3+1+1 year contract. SJOG current contract expires on 31st March 2015.
- 1.2 A procurement exercise will be initiated during 2015/16 with the intention to award a single contract to provide care and support at TYH commencing April 1st 2016.

2 Background information

- 2.1 SJOG currently supports over 1000 vulnerable people in the UK: primarily people with learning and physical disabilities, mental health problems, elders, religious people who have difficulties with drug and alcohol misuse, migrants who are vulnerable to homelessness, and victims of human trafficking.
- 2.2 TYH is a Leeds City Council (LCC) owned, purpose built, single storey care home providing residential and respite care and support for people aged 18-65 who have physical, learning disabilities or complex needs.

3. Main issues

- 3.1 SJOG has actively promoted social inclusion by working in partnership with local communities and businesses in North Leeds to increase opportunities for the residents to participate in voluntary work as well as local social activities.
- 3.2 Each individual at TYH is encouraged to develop social and living skills to enable them to achieve their personal aspirations and live an active and meaningful life. During the first six months of 2014/5, three residents have been supported to holiday independently in the UK.
- 3.3 During the first six months of 2014/5, a resident who lived at TYH for eight years and expressed a preference for living in supported housing, recently achieved this outcome and moved into shared accommodation.
- 3.4 During the first seven months of 2014/15, thirty four people accessed TYH for respite services.
- 3.5 During 2013/4, the Care Quality Commission (CQC) validated THY services as 'standards being met'.

4. Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1.1 Residents and Carers meet bi-monthly with representatives of SJOG to discuss the future development of the service. Stakeholders are encouraged to feedback their experience of accessing the service via a compliments, comments and complaints questionnaire.
- 4.2.1 The Executive Member for Adult Social Care has been consulted on this decision at Members Brief December 4th 2014.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

- 4.2.1 An Equality, Diversity and Cohesion Impact screening accompanies this report and is attached in Appendix 1. If the contract is extended an Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Impact Assessment will be undertaken which will assist in future decision making regarding this service.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

- 4.3.1 SJOG contributes to the Leeds Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-2015 priority of increasing the number of people that have more choice and control over their health and social care services.
- 4.3.2 SJOG contributes to 'Better Lives through Housing Care and Support' by enhancing the quality of life for people with care and support needs.

4.4 Resources and value for money

- 4.4.1 The funding for this service is currently in the revenue budget of the Council for 2015-2016. ASC have agreed that the existing funding will continue at the current level for 2015-2016. The value of the twelve month extension for SJOG services during 2015-2016 is £435,700.
- 4.4.2 During the procurement exercise of Terry Yorath House in 2011, SJOG was awarded the contract based on their combined scores for quality, price and value for money.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- 4.5.1 This decision has been placed on the list of forthcoming key decisions and is subject to call-in. The report does not contain any exempt or confidential information.
- 4.5.2 CPRs 21.1 and 21.2 permit the extension of a contract where it is in accordance with the contract terms, is made before the expiry date of the contract and will deliver Best Value.

4.6 Risk Management

- 4.6.1 No risks to the Council are anticipated in the extension of this contract.

5 Conclusions

5.1 The approval of the extension will enable commissioners to undertake an Equality Impact Assessment, a Market Sounding Exercise and a procurement exercise with the intension to award a single contract to provide care and support services for people living at Terry Yorath House, commencing April 1st 2016.

6. Recommendations

6.1 The Interim Director of Adult Social Services is recommended to extend the contract with SJOG utilising the second of two 12 month extensions starting from April 1st 2015 to 31st March 2016 in accordance with CPRs 21.1 and 21.2.

6.2 The Commissioning Manager, Adult Social Care, will implement this decision directly after it has been taken, subject to the necessary clearance process being completed, by issuing the relevant contract extension documentation to the provider.

7 Background documents¹

7.1 None.

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.