

Officer Decision Record – Executive Decision

If Key Decision: Decision Ref. No.

B130/23

If not a Key Decision write n/a above

OFFICER DECISION RECORD ⁱ

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Subject:

Proposed award of contract for the Provision of Public Health services within Community Pharmacies

Type of Decision: Executive

Key Decision (Executive Functions only): Yes

Executive Member/Committee Chairman:

Morris Bright

Portfolio (Executive Functions only):

Public Health and Community Safety

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1. Decision

To award for the contract of 'Provision of Public Health services within Community Pharmacies.'

2. Reasons for the decision

The current contract for the provision of the Public Health services within Community Pharmacies (single tenderer) expires naturally on 31st March 2024 and the County Council has exhausted its options for extending the contract.

3. Alternative options considered and rejected

There are no competitors within the marketplace able to provide these services beyond General Practices (GP) and Sexual Health Clinics. GP practices are not commercial providers. It is unlikely that either of these contenders would be able to cope with the additional provision of services. Additionally, the spread of community pharmacies across Hertfordshire's towns and villages (in some communities there may be only one local pharmacy,) means that there is no local 'competitive marketplace.' This leaves few realistic procurement options for commissioners to explore.

4. Consultation (see *Summary of Requirements below*)

Was any Councillor consulted? No

If yes:

(a) Comments of Executive Member/Committee Chairman (*delete as applicable*)

N/A

(b) Comments of other consultees

N/A

5. Any conflict of interest declared by a councillor who has been consulted in relation to the decision

N/A

6. I am proceeding with the proposed decision. (*delete words in square brackets if no requirement to consult the Executive Member/Committee Chairman*)

Signed:Sarah Perman.....

Title:Director of Public Health.....

Date: 08/01/2024

Copies of record to:

- All consultees
- hard & electronic copy (if required to be made available for public inspection) to Democratic Services Manager - Room 213 County Hall.ⁱⁱ

Summary of Requirements to Inform/Consult Councillors

Significance of Proposed Action	Controversial	Relevant Councillor(s) to be Consulted
Technical/Professional/ Routine	No	No need to inform or consult councillors
Technical/Professional/ Routine	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member and, where appropriate, Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Relevant Committee Chairman and, where appropriate, Local Councillor
Local	No	Executive Functions: Inform Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Inform Local Councillor
Local	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Consult Local Councillor
General or County-wide	No	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) Non-Executive Functions: Consult relevant Committee Chairman
General or County-wide	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) and the Leader of the Council Non-Executive Functions: Consult relevant Committee Chairman/Leaders all Political Groups