EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: Executive Member for Adult Social & Public Health

KEY DECISION YES

PORTFOLIO AREA: Adult Social Care & Public Health

PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: ADULT SOCIAL CARE & PUBLIC HEALTH

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL WARDS

SUBJECT: Proposal to re-commission Stop Smoking Treatment

Services

1. RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health is requested to:

- a) agree a maximum budget of £4,000,000 for a three year contract (2016-2019), with an option for two further one year extensions for a Nicotine and Smoking Cessation Treatment Service.
- b) authorise the Director of Public Health to secure these services within the Council's Contract Procedure Rules, and to take appropriate action in respect of ensuring effective implementation of the service.

2. REASONS FOR THE DECISION

2.1 Rationale for re-commissioning exercise

Smoking is the main risk factor for a large number of diseases and the main cause of health inequalities. Wirral needs an efficient and effective stop smoking programme that provides support for people who want to guit and ongoing support and relapse prevention.

- 2.2 The budget for the new service has been set at £800,000 per annum following a benchmarking exercise with our statistical neighbours. In addition we have reviewed the Public Health England Spend and Outcomes Tool (SPOT) which compares spend on categories against outcomes. The SPOT tool reports that we have good outcomes but high costs for our current programme. On this basis we believe we need to achieve better value for money from our programme.
- 2.3 The proposed re-commissioning of services will provide an opportunity for commissioners to have a refreshed and clearer view of the funding model, and to discuss delivery of some elements of service on the basis of tariff or payment by results.

3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been completed. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There are no conflicts of interest.

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Executive Member: Cllr Christine Jones

Date of Senior Policy Team Meeting(s):

Date: 8 July 2015

Also present:

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Chief Officer: Fiona Johnstone

Date: 8 July 2015

A list of background papers on this issue is held with:

Contact Officer: Julie Webster, Head of Public Health

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