

## OFFICER DECISION FORM

**DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:** Dave Bradburn

**KEY DECISION NO**

**DIRECTORATE: ADULT CARE AND HEALTH**

**WARDS AFFECTED: ALL WARDS**

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**SUBJECT: UPLIFT TO PUBLIC HEALTH CONTRACT IN RESPONSE TO INFLATION PRESSURES**

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### **1.0 DECISION:**

To approve a 4% inflationary uplift to the CGL Services Ltd Community Substance Misuse Public Health Contract for the 2022/23 financial year, at a total of value of £231,570.

### **2.0 REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The economic backdrop has changed considerably since this service was procured in 2019. 2022 has seen higher energy and commodity prices and persistent inflation. The annual inflation rate in the United Kingdom (UK) rose to 10.1% in September 2022 which is putting pressure on providers' ability to deliver services within the financial envelope agreed at contract award.

### **3.0 STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

It is necessary to ensure the proposed procurement complies with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Wirral Council Contract Procedure rules. The inflationary uplift to this contract would not breach this requirement.

The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer who 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.

### **4.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

**Signed:**

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**Title: Director of Public Health**

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

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