

**City of Wolverhampton Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet (Resources) Panel on Wednesday, 24 May 2023**

<b>Item 4</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Grant Framework
<b>Status</b>	Recommendations Approved
<b>Record of Decision</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme Service Specification &amp; Application Guidance as detailed at Appendix 1 to the report be approved.</li> <li>2. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Education in consultation with the Executive Director of Families to award against the framework.</li> </ol>
<b>Options Considered</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Most HAF authorities have examined a Procured (tendered) Service model instead of a Grant Framework with relatively few opting for the former in what is an under-developed market.</li> <li>2. From the inception of HAF in Wolverhampton up to and including Christmas 2022, the level of funding bids for respective holiday periods has been lower than the grant allocation with general acceptance of all compliant bids submitted. The local HAF market in Wolverhampton has seen a relatively small cohort of providers facing little or no competition and compounded by a high degree of grant-dependency.</li> <li>3. Easter 2023 saw a record 42 grant applications to deliver HAF schemes in Wolverhampton. To contain costs and buffer the main Summer holiday provision, 7 of the 42 bids were deemed unsuccessful following a best value exercise which took into consideration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cost of provision per child per day (including a healthy meal) with a ceiling cost for general, non-specialised, non-Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) - specific activities such a neighbourhood community programme or football camp.</li> <li>• The number of competing bids within the same council ward.</li> <li>• Latent demand and evidence of need for the HAF programme based on the number of registered Free School Meals recipients in each ward of the city.</li> <li>• Activities complying with Department for Education HAF guidelines e.g. minimum of 4 hours activity per day.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

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	4. All the above criteria are retained in the proposed Grant Framework going forward.
<b>Reasons for Decision</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A more-competitive local market for high quality HAF provision from secure and well-established providers should lead to a greater number of eligible children being able to participate.</li> <li>2. The economy of scale achieved with predominantly block grant applications will enable the Council's HAF Team to concentrate more on HAF provider support and market development.</li> </ol>
<b>Record of Conflicts of Interest</b>	None
<b>Dispensation Granted</b>	Not applicable
<b>Decision available for implementation (subject to call-in)</b>	30 May 2023

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<b>Item 5</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Exclusion of press and public
<b>Status</b>	Recommendation Approved
<b>Record of Decision</b>	That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
<b>Options Considered</b>	Not applicable
<b>Reasons for Decision</b>	Not applicable
<b>Record of Conflicts of Interest</b>	Not applicable
<b>Dispensation Granted</b>	Not applicable
<b>Decision available for implementation (subject to call-in)</b>	Not applicable

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<b>Item 6</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services
<b>Status</b>	Recommendations Approved
<b>Record of Decision</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the award of a contract for the City Centre Public Realm Improvements Phase Two Detailed Design to AECOM Infrastructure and Environment UK Ltd, Company no. 00880328 of 2 Leman Street, London, E1 8FA, for a duration of twenty-three months from 2 June 2023 to 31 March 2025 for a total contract value of £285,000 be approved.</li> <li>2. That the proposed variation to the contract for the Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Recovery Service with Nacro of Walkden House, 16-17 Devonshire Square, London, England, EC2M 4SQ for an increase of contract value from 1 June 2023 to 31 May 2024 with a variation value of £936,889 be approved.</li> <li>3. That the establishment of supplementary revenue budgets totalling £1,190,761 for the purpose of Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Recovery services fully funded by additional public health grant funding received from the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID) be approved.</li> <li>4. That the proposed variation to the contract for Service and Repair of Community Equipment with MedEquip of Unit 2, The Summit Centre, Skyport Drive, Harmondsworth, West Drayton, UB7 0LJ with a variation value £40,049 and Plant &amp; Safety of Birmingham Road, Shenstone Wood End, Lichfield, Staffordshire, WS14 0LB with a variation value of £30,024 for a duration of 13 months from 1 June 2023 to 30 June 2024 with a total contract variation value of £70,074 be approved.</li> <li>5. That the proposed variation to the contract for Detached Youth Work Service with Base 25 of 29 - 31 Temple Street, Wolverhampton, England, WV2 4AN for an increase of contract value from 1 June 2023 to 30 November 2023 with a variation value of £75,702.42 be approved.</li> </ol>

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	<p>6. That the use of £44,250 from the Regeneration Reserve to support the proposed contract variation as detailed in paragraph 5 of the report and the establishment of associated supplementary budgets be approved.</p> <p>7. That the proposed variation to the contract for Consultancy Support for Civic Halls Operation with In Partnership With Limited of 46 Aldgate High Street, London, EC3N 1AL for a duration of six months from 1 August 2023 to 31 January 2024 for a total contract value of £44,250 be approved.</p> <p>8. That the exemptions to the Contract Procedure Rules approved by the Head of Procurement and Director of Finance from 1 to 31 March 2023 be noted.</p>
<b>Options Considered</b>	As detailed in the exempt report.
<b>Reasons for Decision</b>	As detailed in the exempt report.
<b>Record of Conflicts of Interest</b>	None
<b>Dispensation Granted</b>	Not applicable
<b>Decision available for implementation (subject to call-in)</b>	30 May 2023