

Cabinet (Resources) Panel

15 November 2023

Report title	Procurement – Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services
Decision designation	AMBER
Cabinet member with lead responsibility	Councillor Louise Miles Resources
Key decision	Yes
In forward plan	Yes
Wards affected	All Wards
Accountable Director	Claire Nye, Director of Finance
Originating service	Procurement
Accountable employee	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel 01902 554503 Email John.Thompson@wolverhampton.gov.uk
Report to be/has been considered by	Directorate Leadership Team

Recommendations for decision:

The Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to:

1. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities, in consultation with the Deputy Director of City Assets, to approve the award of a contract for the Demolition of Lawnswood Campus when the evaluation process is complete.
2. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities, in consultation with the Deputy Director of City Assets, to approve the award of a contract for removal, storage and furniture supply when the evaluation process is complete.
3. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change, in consultation with the Director of Resident Services, to approve the award of a contract for the Supply of Seven Crew Cab Tippers when the evaluation process is complete.
4. Delegate authority to the Deputy Leader: City Housing, in consultation with the Director of Resident Services, to approve the award of a contract for Single Homeless Persons Accommodation when the evaluation process is complete.

5. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Adult Social Care to approve the award of the contract(s) for advocacy services when the evaluation process is complete.
6. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract for Lifestyle Service Delivery when the evaluation process is complete.
7. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract for the supply of Nicotine Replacement Therapy when the evaluation process is complete.
8. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract for the Lifestyle Service Tier 2 weight management app when the evaluation process is complete.
9. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of two contracts for the Tier 2 weight management group support to two providers when the evaluation process is complete.
10. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Service Director for Adult Social Care, to approve the award of the contract for Telecare Mobile Response Service for three years, with an option to extend up to two years once the evaluation process is complete.

1.0 Councillor Paula Brookfield, Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities

1.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Parkfield Project / Demolition of Lawnswood Campus

Ref no:	CWC23155
Council Plan aim	Healthy, inclusive communities
Originating service	City Assets
Accountable officer	Nicky Sahota-Brown, Project Delivery Manager
Leadership Team approval	5 April 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Paula Brookfield, Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	30 June 2023
Procurement advisor	Florence Ahiante, Procurement Manager

1.2 Background

1.3 The Corporate Asset Management Fund was established in 2002 to enable asset management priorities which are managed by the Assets Team. The management of City of Wolverhampton Council’s (CWC) Corporate Asset Management Fund for rationalisation, statutory maintenance and planned maintenance enhancement projects is on-going, of which Parkfields was part of a former secondary school, and at present is Lawnswood Campus, which operates several Pupil Referral Units, playing fields and several vacant areas located within the main building including the former hall and upper floors.

1.4 A Feasibility Cost Model was conducted by Arcadis in October 2022 for the demolition of the void building at Parkfields School – Lawnswood Campus. The proposed works includes the demolition and asbestos removal to the existing void building, boiler house and construction of a new external wall to the courtyard. These works are due to commence 4 March 2024 and are essential due the current condition of the void areas.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Eight weeks
Contract Commencement date	4 March 2024
Annual value	£926,000
Total value	£926,000

1.5 Procurement Process

- 1.6 The intended procurement procedure will be the Open Procedure, which is below the 'Works' threshold in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015. This route to market has been selected to facilitate a robust competition, to include the participation of local suppliers and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) supporting the Wolverhampton Pound.
- 1.7 The evaluation scoring balance will be 60% price, 25% quality, 10% Social Value & 5% Equalities.
- 1.8 Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 1.9 The evaluation team will comprise:

Name	Job Title	Organisation (if not WCC)
Nicky Sahota-Brown	Project Delivery Manager	
Gareth Mascarenhas	Architectural Technician	
Adrian Boyle	Construction Quality Supervisor	
Kamaljit Faulkner	Quantity Surveyor	Arcadis

1.10 Evaluation of alternative options

- Frameworks were not considered in order to attract interest from the wider market, SME's and local suppliers.
- A Direct Award would not be the best approach, considering the value, the high-profile nature and sensitivity of the entire scheme.
- Do Nothing – Would lead to a breach of Contract Procedure Rules

1.11 Reason for decisions

- 1.12 The Open Tender Procedure has been selected as the preferred route to market because it will enable this opportunity to reach the wider market and generate greater interest in the participation of this tender exercise.
- 1.13 The proposed demolition works have become urgent to prevent continued deterioration of the premises, and pave the way for CWC to refurbish Parkfields and improve the overall infrastructure.

1.14 Financial implications

- 1.15 The cost estimate is £926,000 (£359/sqm) that has been based on current day rates with adjustments for variations in the tender bids and construction works inflation.

1.16 Budget for this project was approved via IEDN on 5 July 2023 as part of the Corporate Asset Management Fund – Approval of Virement of Funds for schemes 2023-2024 report. The cost estimate of £926,000 can be met from the existing approved budget.

1.17 Legal implications

1.18 The procurement will be an Open procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and the Council's Contract Procedure Rules, and it is below the threshold for 'Works' Contracts

1.19 The form of contract to be used for these works is the JCT Intermediate Works Contract 2016, with Contractor's Design Portion.

1.20 CWC will ensure that it complies with the applicable statutory and other processes when awarding the contract.

1.21 Equalities implications

1.22 Whilst the demolition of the Lawnsdown Campus at Parkfields does not have any equality implications, it is essential to undertake these works to alleviate health and safety risks and further deterioration in its present condition. Which would facilitate the proposed refurbishment works.

1.23 All other implications

1.24 There are no other implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

1.25 Recommendation

1.26 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities, in consultation with the Deputy Director of City Assets, to approve the award of a contract for the Demolition of Lawnswood Campus when the evaluation process is complete.

2.0 Councillor Paula Brookfield, Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities

2.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Removal, Storage and Furniture Supply

Ref no: CWC23153	
Council Plan aim	Fair and Equal
Originating service	City Assets
Accountable officer	Kulwinder Kudhail, Workplace Strategy Manager
Leadership Team approval	20 October 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Paula Brookfield, Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	16 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Sheena Douglas, Procurement Buyer (01902) 553406

2.2 Background

2.3 CWC requires a supplier to carry out the provision of supply, delivery and installation of furniture and the removal, storage, and transportation of furniture from both commercial and domestic properties in the West Midlands. The service will be for the CWC and Wolverhampton Homes (WH).

2.4 This will be tendered as two (2) lots, as detailed below:

- Lot 1 – Supply, Delivery, and Installation of Furniture
- Lot 2 – Removal, Storage and Transportation of Furniture

2.5 This contract will support CWC's new ways of working to enable greater occupancy of buildings through improved layout and agile working. Additionally, to support the movement and relocation of employees within the City Assets portfolio, which will also include supply of furniture. WH will also use this contract for the ad hoc supply of furniture for its office-based facilities and for furniture removals, typically from domestic dwellings to facilitate temporary accommodation or relocations. The storage of household items and furniture may also be required to facilitate major repairs.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Four years (3 + 1)
Contract Commencement date	15 April 2024

Annual value	Lot 1 (CWC) £80,000 (WH) £27,500 Lot 2 (CWC) £10,000 (WH) £57,500
Total value	£700, 000 Lot 1 (CWC) £320,000 (WH) £110,000 Lot 2 (CWC) £40,000 (WH) £230,000

2.6 Procurement Process

- 2.7 The intended procurement procedure will be an Open Tender procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and the Council's Contract Procedure Rules. This route to market has been decided as this will encourage interest from local suppliers which in turn supports the Wolverhampton Pound.
- 2.8 The evaluation scoring balance will be 55% price, 30% quality, 10% social value and 5% equalities. Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 2.9 The evaluation team will comprise:

Name	Job Title	Organisation (if not CWC)
Kulwinder Kudhail	Workplace strategy Manager	
Nicky Sahota-Brown	Project Delivery Manager	
Frank Dalton	Contract Manager	Wolverhampton Homes

2.10 Evaluation of alternative options

- 2.11 The first alternative option would be to do nothing, however, the risks involved in not establishing a new contract, would leave CWC and WH unable to carry out its duties to staff and the residents of the City of Wolverhampton.
- 2.12 The second alternative option would be to explore internal resources, however, there is not sufficient resources to meet the demand.

2.13 Reason for decisions

- 2.14 Procuring via an open tender for providers has been decided as the most suitable route. This route to market has been decided because it is the most appropriate and cost-effective method for the type of contract needed and to ensure it is awarded within the project timeline while giving any local companies the opportunity to bid.

2.15 Financial implications

- 2.16 The contract will be funded from the existing revenue budgets of either budgets held within the Facilities Management Service and Corporate Asset Management Service at the CWC or WH as applicable:
- Lot 1 CWC (Civic Centre)
 - Lot 2 CWC (Centralised Planned Maintenance)
 - Lot 1 and Lot 2 WH (Contracts and Compliance)
- 2.17 The total contract value from the existing revenue budget is £700,000 (three years, plus one), which excludes service user and capital value.

2.18 Legal implications

- 2.19 The procurement will be an above threshold procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

2.20 Equalities implications

- 2.21 An Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA) has been completed. The EIA is a live document and will be reviewed throughout the term of the contract.

2.22 All other implications

- 2.23 There are no other implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

2.24 Recommendation

- 2.25 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Governance and Equalities, in consultation with the Deputy Director of City Assets, to approve the award of a contract for removal, storage and furniture supply when the evaluation process is complete.

3.0 Councillor Craig Collingswood, Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change

3.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Supply of Seven Crew Cab Tipppers

Ref no: CWC23185	
Council Plan aim	Climate Conscious
Originating service	Fleet Services
Accountable officer	Beth Cooper, Transport and Fleet Manager (01902) 551190
Leadership Team approval	8 September 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Craig Collingswood, Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	9 November 2023
Procurement advisor	Sean Hynes, Procurement Manager (01902) 554950

3.2 Background

3.3 CWC require replacement of the current fleet of seven hired diesel-powered crew cab tipppers operated by Environmental and Countryside Services. The new vehicles will be like for like replacements and more environmentally friendly than the older vehicles.

3.4 The previous fleet of owned vehicles went beyond their useful economic life and have since been taken out of the fleet. The services are currently operating seven hire vehicles in their place, supplied at a total hire cost of £49,385 per annum.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	One Off Purchase
Contract Commencement date	20 November 2023
Total value	£266,000

3.5 Procurement Process

3.6 The procurement procedure will be a framework direct award using The Halton Housing Framework (2020/S 059-142725) to the top ranked supplier, Ford Motor Company, who

are able to supply the vehicles required. This route to market has been decided because it is a compliant route to market and allows shortened timescales to complete the procurement process.

- 3.7 Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 3.8 The evaluation team will comprise:

Name	Job Title
Beth Cooper	Transport and Fleet Manager
Kaleem Raza	Project Manager

3.9 Evaluation of alternative options

- 3.10 The first alternative option would be new hire or lease arrangements. This option was not recommended because the fleet replacement policy is based on the following key principle – ‘If a vehicle is required long term, it will be purchased rather than hired to ensure better value for money’.
- 3.11 The second alternative option would be to retain the current hired vehicles. Retaining the current fleet of hired crew cab tippers is not best value for money for CWC and replacing them with owned vehicles will enable the immediate off hire of seven tippers saving CWC a revenue spend of £49,385 per annum.

3.12 Reason for decisions

- 3.13 Following the approval of the terms and conditions by legal in July 2022, it was decided that the Halton Housing framework could be used. CWC have the right to use the framework under OJEU notices 2020/S 110-268523 and 2020/S 059-142725.
- 3.14 A direct award via the Halton Housing framework, is a compliant route to market and allows shortened timescales to complete the procurement process. The direct award to the top ranked supplier, Ford Motor Company will ensure the Council achieves value for money on this purchase.

3.15 Financial implications

- 3.16 The contract will be funded from existing approved £4.7m Fleet capital budgets.

3.17 Legal implications

- 3.18 The procurement will be an above threshold framework direct award procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council’s Contract Procedure Rules.

3.19 Equalities implications

3.20 This procurement involves purchase of vehicles to be used by Environmental and Countryside Services operatives to fulfil statutory duties throughout the year. Equality considerations took place to ensure the vehicles are 'fit for purpose' and that they meet quality standards by engaging the service areas to be involved in the specification process. Service manager and operatives were involved in this process to ensure they had the opportunity to provide feedback and the vehicle proposed was not less favourable to the needs of operatives.

3.21 All other implications

3.22 There are no other implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

3.23 Recommendation

3.24 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change, in consultation with the Director of Resident Services, to approve the award of a contract for the Supply of Seven Crew Cab Tippers when the evaluation process is complete.

4.0 Councillor Steve Evans – Deputy Leader: City Housing

4.1 Delegated Authority to Award the Single Homeless Persons Accommodation contract

Ref no:	CWC23154
Council Plan aim	Good homes in well-connected neighbourhoods
Originating service	Homelessness & Migration
Accountable officer	Anthony Walker, Head of Homelessness & Migration
Leadership Team approval	Public Health Leadership Team 10 October 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Councillor Steve Evans, Deputy Leader: City Housing
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	20 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Adebimpe Winjobi – Procurement Manager

4.2 Background

4.3 The current Single Homeless Persons Accommodation and Support contract has been in place since 2018. Supported accommodation provides an essential service for people who require more intensive support to overcome barriers and build the skills and resilience needed to lead an independent life. This type of service can come with 24-hour staffing support for people who are in crisis. Alternatively, support can be provided in homes in the community depending on the needs of the individual to prevent or relieve homelessness and rough sleeping.

4.4 Rates of homelessness are increasing across the country, with evidence that sufficient provision for single people is declining nationally. Homeless Link's Annual Review of Support for Single Homeless People in England (December 2021) illustrated that sufficiency for single people experiencing homelessness has decreased by 38.9% from 2010, with 42.9% of accommodation providers reporting a concerning increase in the number of people who were experiencing homelessness for the first time.

4.5 The proposed Single Homeless Persons Accommodation contract will be split into five services as detailed below:

- Emergency Accommodation
- Complex Needs Supported Accommodation
- Tenancy Sustainment Support - Floating support & Housing First support

- Rough Sleeper Gateway & Outreach
- Peter Bilson House - long-term units & emergency bed spaces

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Seven years (5+2)
Contract Commencement date	1 April 2024
Annual value	£1,370,000
Total value	£9,590,000

4.6 Procurement Process

4.7 The intended procurement procedure will be an open, above threshold Light Touch Regime procedure in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and the Council's Contracts Procedure Rules. This route to market has been decided because CWC is committed to demonstrating that the services it procures represent good value for money which have been sourced using open, transparent, and equitable processes. This route to market also offers opportunities for local suppliers to submit bids supporting the Wolverhampton Pound.

4.8 The evaluation scoring balance will focus primarily on the quality of services - Quality 70%, 5% Social Value, 5% Equality Diversity & Inclusion, and 20% Price. Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.

4.9 The evaluation team will comprise:

Name	Job Title
Anthony Walker	Head of Homelessness & Migration
Satvinder Goraya	Lead Officer – New Communities & Housing Officer
Paul Dainty	Revenue and Benefits Manager

4.10 Evaluation of alternative options

4.11 The option to use internal resources has been discounted as CWC does not have the resources or infrastructure undertake the service, nor does it hold the service area expertise.

4.12 The option to utilise a framework has been discounted as there are no framework's available for this type of service requirement.

4.13 An alternative option would be to not redesign the service into one wider service and maintain multiple separate contracts with differing service providers: resulting in contract management time and resource inefficiencies, with a less effective referral pathway.

4.14 The option to undertake an open above threshold tender process would allow all providers in the market to submit their offer, supporting value for money and by reducing the need and cost of temporary spot purchased accommodation.

4.15 Reason for decisions

4.16 The consolidation of services under a single contract will allow CWC to reduce spend on other homelessness services and increase the City's ability to provide additional accommodation spaces to meet an emergent and pressing need. The consolidation – under one service provider - will support an effective referral pathway between the individual services, supporting service and cost efficiencies.

4.17 CWC's Our City:Our Plan sets out commitments to preventing homelessness wherever possible and to working with partners to offer targeted and flexible support to help people off the street to reduce rough sleeping. The stages set within the specification will enable CWC to provide good quality accommodation and support to vulnerable people who are rough sleeping or at risk of rough sleeping.

4.18 Financial implications

4.19 The contract will be funded from the annual £1,370,000 approved budget for Supported Accommodation Provider payments within the Homelessness Service funded from a combination of general fund and grant from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities.

4.20 Legal implications

4.21 The procurement will be an open, above threshold Light Touch Regime procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

4.22 The Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 will be applicable to this contract.

4.23 Equalities implications

4.24 A full equality impact assessment has been undertaken for the services under the contract which ensures that people experiencing multiple disadvantages can access services and receive the best possible support. Any adult aged 18 or over is able to access all parts of the service and accommodation, without discrimination due to background or any other factor.

4.25 All other implications

4.26 There are no other implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

4.27 Recommendation

- 4.28 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Deputy Leader: City Housing, in consultation with the Director of Resident Services, to approve the award of a contract for Single Homeless Persons Accommodation when the evaluation process is complete.

5.0 Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing

5.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Advocacy Services

Ref no:	CWC23058
Council Plan aim	Fulfilled lives for all with quality care for those that need it
Originating service	Commissioning - Adults
Accountable officer	Shen Campbell, Commissioning Officer (01902) 551040
Leadership Team approval	13 July 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Jasbir Jaspal - Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	23 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Babita Mal, Procurement Manager

5.2 Background

5.3 CWC currently commissions seven advocacy services, all of which are statutorily required, except Parental Advocacy.

- Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA) – This service supports best interest decisions with people who are deemed to lack capacity to do so.
- IMCA DoLS – This service applies to individuals who are protected by the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards 2009 introduced as an amendment to the Mental Capacity Act 2005.
- Relevant Persons Paid Representative (RPPR)/Volunteer Relevant Persons Representative (VRPR) – This service represents relevant people in matters relating to or connected with the deprivation of liberty.
- Care Act Advocacy - The Care Act 2014 requires the local authority to promote control by the individual over their care and support.
- Independent Health Complaints Advocacy Service: Locally branded as Wolverhampton Health Advocacy Complaints Service (WHACS). Aids with individuals making a complaint in respect of NHS funded services, including the Health Service Ombudsman, under the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
- Independent Mental Health Act (IMHA) - Section 43 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 requires specialist advocates who are trained specifically to work within the framework of the Mental Health Act 1983, Amendment 2007.

- Parental Advocacy.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Five years (3+1+1)
Contract Commencement date	1 July 2024
Annual value	Year 1 – £248,530 Year 2 – £248,530 Year 3 – £242,530 Year 4 – £242,530 Year 5 – £242,530
Total value	£1,224,650

5.4 Procurement Process

- 5.5 The intended procurement procedure will be an open, above threshold Light Touch Regime procedure in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contracts Procedure Rules. This route to market has been decided because CWC is committed to demonstrating that the services it procures represent good value for money which have been sourced using open, transparent, and equitable processes. This route to market also offers opportunities for local suppliers to submit bids supporting the Wolverhampton Pound
- 5.6 The evaluation scoring balance will focus primarily on the quality of services - Quality 60%, 5% Social Value, 5% Equality Diversity & Inclusion, and 30% Price. Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 5.7 The evaluation team will comprise.

Name	Job Title
Shen Campbell	Commissioning Officer (Adults)
Clare Hattersley	Senior Commissioning Officer (Adults)
Corrina Jeffrey	MCA DoLS Officer
Karen Chance	Service Manager - Mental Health
Lisa Raghunanan	Partnership Manager

5.8 Evaluation of alternative options

- 5.9 The option to use internal resources has been discounted as there will be a potential conflict of interest with service users that require the service as an independent source of advocacy. There is also a lack of expertise and resource within CWC, and therefore an in-house provision would be unlikely to offer better value for money.
- 5.10 The option to utilise a framework has been discounted as there are no framework's available for this type of service requirement.
- 5.11 An alternative option would be to not redesign the service into one wider service and maintain multiple separate contracts with differing service providers: resulting in contract management time and resource inefficiencies.

5.12 Reason for decisions

- 5.13 The service will be procured as a single contract with separate service elements. This approach will provide flexibility in terms of service delivery, the deployment of staff across the services and opportunities to innovate. Additionally, this approach may offer efficiencies and benchmarking has identified that this approach has been adopted successfully in other authorities.

5.14 Financial implications

- 5.15 There is an approved revenue budget of £249,000 across Adult Services and Commissioning and Transformation to procure this service.

5.16 Legal implications

- 5.17 The procurement will be an above threshold procedure in accordance with the Light Touch Regime, Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contract Procedure Rules.
- 5.18 CWC has legal duties to comply with the following legislation and provide or commission the following services in response:
- Care Act Advocacy to comply with the Care Act 2014.
 - Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA) including Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Advocacy (IMCA DoLS), and Relevant Paid Persons Representative Service (RPPR) to comply with the Mental Capacity Act 2005 and the Mental Capacity Amendment Act 2019.
 - Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA) to comply with the Mental Health Act 1983.
 - Independent Health Complaints Advocacy Service (IHCAS) to comply with the NHS and Social Care Act 2012.
 - The Mental Capacity (Amendment) Act 2019 paved the way for the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) to be replaced with a new scheme called the Liberty Protection Safeguards (LPS).
- 5.19 The Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 will be applicable to this contract.

5.20 Equalities implications

- 5.21 The service is city-wide and will continue to support equality and be compliant with equality and disability legislations. The service specifications will include a requirement for the provider to collate demographic information.
- 5.22 The Provider must ensure they enable communication in a variety of verbal and non-verbal means, including pictorial aids, visual aids, symbols, Makaton, sign language, personal communication systems, interpretation/translation facilities and relevant aids (this list is not exhaustive).

5.23 All other implications

- 5.24 There are no other implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

5.25 Recommendation

- 5.26 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Adult Social Care to approve the award of the contract(s) for advocacy services when the evaluation process is complete.

6.0 Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing

6.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Lifestyle Service Delivery

Ref no: CWC23162	
Council Plan aim	Healthy, inclusive communities
Originating service	Public Health
Accountable officer	Matthew Leak, Principal Public Health Specialist (01902) 553639
Leadership Team approval	13 June 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	16 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Adebimpe Winjobi, Procurement Manager

6.2 Background

6.3 Wolverhampton has higher levels of adult obesity (18+) (33.2%, Active Lives Survey), overweight or obese (69.7%) and smoking (15.1%) than England and West Midlands averages. Current provision includes targeted offers available through the national digital tier 2 weight management programme (local community-based diet, nutrition, lifestyle, and behaviour change advice and support) and for smoking cessation (community-based advice and support with nicotine replacement) available through maternity services, in patient offer and mental health provision. However, there are currently no universally available services in Wolverhampton for tier 2 weight management or smoking cessation.

6.4 The huge impact on health by both obesity and smoking has prompted the need to address the lack of a universal service in Wolverhampton.

6.5 The Lifestyle Service delivery will recruit staff to deliver evidence-based services for adult stop smoking and weight management. It will provide information, advice, and guidance; self-help tools; and lifestyle interventions to enable Service Users to achieve and maintain positive lifestyle changes, thus reducing the risk of developing chronic diseases which can lead to premature morbidity and mortality.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Three years
Contract Commencement date	1 April 2024
Annual value	£150,000
Total value	£450,000

6.6 Procurement Process

- 6.7 The intended procurement procedure will be an open, above threshold Light Touch Regime procedure in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contracts Procedure Rules. This route to market has been decided because CWC is committed to demonstrating that the services it procures represent good value for money which have been sourced using open, transparent, and equitable processes. This route to market also offers opportunities for local suppliers to submit bids supporting the Wolverhampton Pound.
- 6.8 The evaluation scoring balance will focus primarily on the quality of services - Quality 60%, 5% Social Value, 5% Equality Diversity & Inclusion, and 30% Price. Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 6.9 The evaluation team will comprise;

Name	Job Title
Ainee Khan	Consultant in Public Health (CWC)
Matthew Leak	Principal Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Victoria Downes	Senior Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Charlotte Sweet	Health Improvement Officer (CWC)
Heidi Burns	Health Inequalities Lead (ICB)
Sally Sandel	Head of Primary Care and Commissioning (ICB)

- 6.10 A collaborative approach will be taken when evaluating in partnership with NHS, One Wolverhampton through Living Well, GPs and Primary Care.

6.11 Evaluation of alternative options

- 6.12 The option to use internal resources has been discounted as CWC does not have the resources or infrastructure undertake the service, nor does it hold the service area expertise.
- 6.13 The option to utilise a framework has been discounted as there are no framework's available for this type of service requirement.
- 6.14 The option to undertake an open above threshold tender process would allow all providers in the market to submit their offer, supporting value for money.

6.15 Reason for decisions

- 6.16 Allocating this funding for the Lifestyle Service Delivery would allow CWC to deliver universal services for residents in Wolverhampton who are obese. There are only limited nationally commissioned services available currently and the decision to procure this service will bolster a universal offer for Wolverhampton residents in line with neighbouring local authorities.

6.17 If the service is not provided, then there could be further exacerbated health inequalities:

- Lack of primary prevention in lifestyle interventions potentially leading to increases in obesity rate, smoking rate, and physical inactivity
- Poorer health outcomes for residents
- Increased burden (both workload and cost) on local NHS services – directly impacting both, Primary Care and Secondary Care services
- Poor outcomes for both, life expectancy and healthy life expectancy

6.18 Financial Implications

6.19 The sum of £150,000 per year for this contract will be met from the Lifestyle Service Budget within the Public Health directorate of £600,000 funded from Public Health reserves. The contract will include the procurement of service delivery and staffing.

6.20 Legal implications

6.21 The intended procurement procedure will be an open, above threshold Light Touch Regime procedure in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contracts Procedure Rules.

6.22 Equalities implications

6.23 The Lifestyle Service will be available for free to all residents who meet the eligibility criteria. Obesity and smoking can affect anyone of any age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender-reassignment, marital or pregnancy status. This is a universal service has been designed to meet the needs of all individuals affected by obesity and smoking in Wolverhampton. The service will reinforce positive behaviours in relation to weight management and smoking and therefore have a positive impact on service users across all equality categories. A full Equality Impact Assessment will be completed.

6.24 All other implications

6.25 There are no other implications associated with this report.

6.26 Schedule of background papers

6.27 Appendix 1 provides further background on the strategy.

6.28 Recommendation

6.29 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract for Lifestyle Service Delivery when the evaluation process is complete.

7.0 Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing

7.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Lifestyle Service - Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT)

Ref no:	CWC23163
Council Plan aim	Healthy, inclusive communities
Originating service	Public Health
Accountable officer	Matthew Leak, Principal Public Health Specialist (01902) 553639
Leadership Team approval	13 June 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	16 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Adebimpe Winjobi, Procurement Manager

7.2 Background

7.3 Wolverhampton has higher levels of smoking (15.1%) than England and West Midlands averages. Current provision includes community-based advice and support with nicotine replacement available through maternity services, in patient offer and mental health provision. However, there are currently no universally available services for smoking cessation.

7.4 Smoking is the most important cause of preventable ill health and premature mortality in the UK. Smoking is a major risk factor for many diseases, such as lung cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and heart disease. Due to the huge impact on health and smoking has prompted the need to address the lack of a universal service in Wolverhampton.

7.5 The proposed contract is for the supply of nicotine replacement therapies – patches, gum, lozenges – which will be included in CWC’s smoking cessation offer.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Three years
Contract Commencement date	1 April 2024
Annual value	£102,500
Total value	£307,500

7.6 Procurement Process

- 7.7 The intended procurement procedure will be an open, above threshold procedure in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contracts Procedure Rules. This route to market has been decided because CWC is committed to demonstrating that the services it procures represent good value for money which have been sourced using open, transparent, and equitable processes. This route to market also offers opportunities for local suppliers to submit bids supporting the Wolverhampton Pound.
- 7.8 The evaluation scoring balance will be Quality 30%, 5% Social Value, 5% Equality Diversity & Inclusion, and 60% Price. Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 7.9 The evaluation team will comprise;

Name	Job Title
Ainee Khan	Consultant in Public Health (CWC)
Matthew Leak	Principal Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Victoria Downes	Senior Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Charlotte Sweet	Health Improvement Officer (CWC)
Heidi Burns	Health Inequalities Lead (ICB)
Sally Sandel	Head of Primary Care and Commissioning (ICB)

- 7.10 A collaborative approach will be taken when evaluating in partnership with NHS, One Wolverhampton through Living Well, GPs and Primary Care.

7.11 Evaluation of alternative options

- 7.12 The option to utilise a framework has been discounted as there are no framework's available for this type of service requirement.
- 7.13 The option to undertake an open above threshold tender process would allow all providers in the market to submit their offer, supporting value for money.

7.14 Reason for decisions

- 7.15 Providing these products through the Lifestyle Service Delivery would allow CWC to deliver universal services for residents in Wolverhampton who smoke.
- 7.16 If the service is not provided, then there could be further exacerbated health inequalities:
- Lack of primary prevention in lifestyle interventions potentially leading to increases in obesity rate, smoking rate and physical inactivity
 - Poorer health outcomes for residents
 - Increased burden (both workload and cost) on local NHS services – directly impacting both, Primary Care and Secondary Care services
 - Poor outcomes for both, life expectancy and healthy life expectancy

7.17 Financial implications

7.18 The sum of £102,500 per year for this contract will be met from the Lifestyle Service budget of £600,000 per year with the Public Health directorate funded from Public Health reserves. The contract will include the supply of nicotine replacement therapy as a smoking cessation aid.

7.19 Legal implications

7.20 The procurement will be an open, above threshold procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

7.21 Equalities implications

7.22 The Lifestyle Service will be available for free to all residents who meet the eligibility criteria. Obesity and smoking can affect anyone of any age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender-reassignment, marital or pregnancy status. This is a universal service has been designed to meet the needs of all individuals affected by obesity and smoking in Wolverhampton. The service will reinforce positive behaviours in relation to weight management and smoking and therefore have a positive impact on service users across all equality categories. A full Equality Impact Assessment will be completed.

7.23 All other implications

7.24 There are no other implications associated with this report.

7.25 Schedule of background papers

7.26 Appendix 1 provides further background on the strategy.

7.27 Recommendation

7.28 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract for the supply of Nicotine Replacement Therapy when the evaluation process is complete.

8.0 Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing

8.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Lifestyle Service – Tier 2 weight management app

Ref no:	CWC23165
Council Plan aim	Healthy, inclusive communities
Originating service	Public Health
Accountable officer	Matthew Leak, Principal Public Health Specialist (01902) 553639
Leadership Team approval	13 June 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	16 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Adebimpe Winjobi, Procurement Manager

8.2 Background

8.3 Wolverhampton has higher levels of adult obesity (18+) (33.2%, Active Lives Survey), overweight or obese (69.7%) than England and West Midlands averages. Current provision includes targeted offers available through the national digital tier 2 weight management programme (local community-based diet, nutrition, lifestyle and behaviour change advice and support) available through maternity services, in patient offer and mental health provision. However, there are currently no universally available services in Wolverhampton for tier 2 weight management.

8.4 Obesity is a global and complex public health concern. It is associated with reduced life expectancy and is a risk factor for a range of chronic diseases, including cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, cancer, liver, and respiratory diseases and has an impact on mental health. The huge impact on health and obesity has prompted the need to address the lack of a universal service in Wolverhampton.

8.5 The proposed Tier 2 weight management app will be a 12-week weight loss programme tailored to residents who are obese.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Three years
Contract Commencement date	1 April 2024
Annual value	£60,000
Total value	£180,000

8.6 Procurement Process

- 8.7 The intended procurement procedure will be an open, above threshold procedure in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contracts Procedure Rules. This route to market has been decided because CWC is committed to demonstrating that the services it procures represent good value for money which have been sourced using open, transparent, and equitable processes. This route to market also offers opportunities for local suppliers to submit bids supporting the Wolverhampton Pound.
- 8.8 The evaluation scoring balance will focus primarily on the quality of services - Quality 60%, 5% Social Value, 5% Equality Diversity & Inclusion, and 30% Price. Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 8.9 The evaluation team will comprise;

Name	Job Title
Ainee Khan	Consultant in Public Health (CWC)
Matthew Leak	Principal Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Victoria Downes	Senior Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Charlotte Sweet	Health Improvement Officer (CWC)
Heidi Burns	Health Inequalities Lead (ICB)
Sally Sandel	Head of Primary Care and Commissioning (ICB)

- 8.10 A collaborative approach will be taken when evaluating in partnership with NHS, One Wolverhampton through Living Well, GPs and Primary Care.

8.11 Evaluation of alternative options

- 8.12 The option to use internal resources has been discounted as CWC does not have the resources or infrastructure undertake the service, nor does it hold the service area expertise.
- 8.13 The option to utilise a framework has been discounted as there are no framework's available for this type of service requirement.
- 8.14 The option to undertake an open above threshold tender process would allow all providers in the market to submit their offer, supporting value for money.

8.15 Reason for decisions

- 8.16 Allocating this funding for the Lifestyle Service Delivery would allow CWC to deliver universal services for residents in Wolverhampton who are obese. There are only limited nationally commissioned services available currently and the decision to procure this service will bolster a universal offer for Wolverhampton residents in line with neighbouring local authorities.
- 8.17 If the service is not provided, then there could be further exacerbated health inequalities:

- Lack of primary prevention in lifestyle interventions potentially leading to increases in obesity rate, smoking rate and physical inactivity
- Poorer health outcomes for residents
- Increased burden (both workload and cost) on local NHS services – directly impacting both, Primary Care and Secondary Care services
- Poor outcomes for both, life expectancy and healthy life expectancy

8.18 Financial implications

8.19 The sum of £60,000 per year for this contract will be met from the Lifestyle Service budgets of £600,000 per year within the Public Health directorate funded from Public Health reserves. The contract will be a one-off upfront payment per year for use of the app and data reporting.

8.20 Legal implications

8.21 The procurement will be an open, above threshold procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

8.22 Equalities implications

8.23 The Lifestyle Service will be available for free to all residents who meet the eligibility criteria. Obesity and smoking can affect anyone of any age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender-reassignment, marital or pregnancy status. This is a universal service has been designed to meet the needs of all individuals affected by obesity and smoking in Wolverhampton. The service will reinforce positive behaviours in relation to weight management and smoking and therefore have a positive impact on service users across all equality categories. A full Equality Impact Assessment will be completed.

8.24 All other implications

8.25 There are no other implications associated with this report.

8.26 Schedule of background papers

8.27 Appendix 1 provides further background on the strategy.

8.28 Recommendation

8.29 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract for the Lifestyle Service Tier 2 weight management app when the evaluation process is complete.

9.0 Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing

9.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract – Lifestyle Service – Tier 2 weight management group support

Ref no:	CWC23161
Council Plan aim	Healthy, inclusive communities
Originating service	Public Health
Accountable officer	Matthew Leak, Principal Public Health Specialist (01902) 553639
Leadership Team approval	13 June 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Cllr Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	16 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Adebimpe Winjobi, Procurement Manager

9.2 Background

9.3 Wolverhampton has higher levels of adult obesity (18+) (33.2%, Active Lives Survey), overweight or obese (69.7%) than England and West Midlands averages. Current provision includes targeted offers available through the national digital tier 2 weight management programme (local community-based diet, nutrition, lifestyle, and behaviour change advice and support) available through maternity services, in patient offer and mental health provision. However, there are currently no universally available services in Wolverhampton for tier 2 weight management.

9.4 Obesity is a global and complex public health concern. It is associated with reduced life expectancy and is a risk factor for a range of chronic diseases, including cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, cancer, liver, and respiratory diseases and has an impact on mental health. The huge impact on health and obesity has prompted the need to address the lack of a universal service in Wolverhampton.

9.5 The service will provide Service Users with vouchers for a 12-week face to face weight loss programme which will support Service Users to safely achieve calorie deficit and a healthy balanced diet, develop healthier eating habits and embed behaviour change.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Three years
Contract Commencement date	1 April 2024
Annual value	£127,465
Total value	£382,395

9.6 Procurement Process

- 9.7 The intended procurement procedure will be an open, above threshold Light Touch Regime procedure in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contracts Procedure Rules. This route to market has been decided because CWC is committed to demonstrating that the services it procures represent good value for money which have been sourced using open, transparent, and equitable processes. This route to market also offers opportunities for local suppliers to submit bids supporting the Wolverhampton Pound.
- 9.8 The evaluation scoring balance will focus primarily on the quality of services - Quality 60%, 5% Social Value, 5% Equality Diversity & Inclusion, and 30% Price. Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 9.9 The evaluation team will comprise:

Name	Job Title
Ainee Khan	Consultant in Public Health (CWC)
Matthew Leak	Principal Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Victoria Downes	Senior Public Health Specialist (CWC)
Charlotte Sweet	Health Improvement Officer (CWC)
Heidi Burns	Health Inequalities Lead (ICB)
Sally Sandel	Head of Primary Care and Commissioning (ICB)

- 9.10 A collaborative approach will be taken when evaluating in partnership with NHS, One Wolverhampton through Living Well, GPs and Primary Care.

9.11 Evaluation of alternative options

- 9.12 The option to use internal resources has been discounted as CWC does not have the resources or infrastructure undertake the service, nor does it hold the service area expertise.
- 9.13 The option to utilise a framework has been discounted as there are no framework's available for this type of service requirement.
- 9.14 The option to undertake an open above threshold tender process would allow all providers in the market to submit their offer, supporting value for money.

9.15 Reason for decisions

- 9.16 Two providers will offer alternative programmes as one may not suit the needs of every service user.
- 9.17 Allocating this funding for the Lifestyle Service Delivery would allow CWC to deliver universal services for residents in Wolverhampton who are obese. There are only limited nationally commissioned services available currently and the decision to procure this service will bolster a universal offer for Wolverhampton residents in line with neighbouring local authorities.

9.18 If the service is not provided, then there could be further exacerbated health inequalities:

- Lack of primary prevention in lifestyle interventions potentially leading to increases in obesity rate, smoking rate, and physical inactivity
- Poorer health outcomes for residents
- Increased burden (both workload and cost) on local NHS services – directly impacting both, Primary Care and Secondary Care services
- Poor outcomes for both, life expectancy and healthy life expectancy

9.19 Financial implications

9.20 The sum of £127,465 per year for this contract will be met from the £600,000 annual budget for the Lifestyle Service within the public health directorate funded from Public Health reserves.

9.21 Legal implications

9.22 The procurement will be an above threshold procedure in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

9.23 Equalities implications

9.24 The Lifestyle Service will be available for free to all residents who meet the eligibility criteria. Obesity and smoking can affect anyone of any age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender-reassignment, marital or pregnancy status. This is a universal service has been designed to meet the needs of all individuals affected by obesity and smoking in Wolverhampton. The service will reinforce positive behaviours in relation to weight management and smoking and therefore have a positive impact on service users across all equality categories. A full Equality Impact Assessment will be completed.

9.25 All other implications

9.26 There are no other implications associated with this report.

9.27 Schedule of background papers

9.28 Appendix 1 provides further background on the strategy.

9.29 Recommendation

9.30 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of two contracts for the Tier 2 weight management group support to two providers when the evaluation process is complete.

10.0 Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing

10.1 Delegated Authority to Award a Contract - Telecare Mobile Response Service

Ref no:	CWC23160
Council Plan aim	Fulfilled lives for all with quality care for those that need it
Originating service	Adult Services
Accountable officer	Andrew Wolverson, Deputy Director - Commissioning & Transformation (01902) 555550
Leadership Team approval	28 September 2023
Accountable Lead Cabinet Member	Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing (01902) 551218
Date Lead Cabinet Member briefed	9 October 2023
Procurement advisor	Adebimpe Winjobi, Procurement Manager

10.2 Background

10.3 The Telecare Mobile Response Service has been in operation since 3 April 2019.

10.4 There are currently 3,896 households across the city in receipt of CWC’s Telecare Service. The service - supported by Wolverhampton Homes 24/7 Alarm Receiving Centre (ARC) - provides a 24/7 mobile response to users based on their individual presenting need, and bespoke response protocol.

10.5 By offering an alternative to emergency services for non-critical situations, the service helps in reducing the strain on emergency responders, such as the West Midlands Ambulance Service. This ensures that emergency services can prioritise more urgent cases.

Proposed Contract Award	
Contract duration	Five years (3+1+1)
Contract Commencement date	3 April 2024
Annual value	£320,000
Total value	£1,600,000
Extension provisions (if any)	An option to extend for a further two years, on a 1+1 basis

10.6 Procurement Process

- 10.7 The intended procurement procedure will be a further competition utilising Northern Housing Consortium's (NHC) Technology Enabled Lives Framework Lot 4.2 - Mobile Response, in accordance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Council's Contracts Procedure Rules.
- 10.8 The evaluation scoring balance will be 60% Quality, 35% price and 5% Social Value.
- 10.9 This route to market has been decided because the framework provides access to a sufficient number of providers who have the capacity and capability to undertake the services required. Additionally, CWC is committed to demonstrating that the services it procures represent good value for money which have been sourced using open, transparent, and equitable processes.
- 10.10 Any amendments to the procurement procedure will be reported in an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN) to the relevant Cabinet Member in consultation with the relevant Director in accordance with the delegation within this report.
- 10.11 The evaluation team will comprise.

Name	Job Title	Organisation (if not WCC)
John Steele	Commissioning Officer	
Suzanne Cash	Assistive Technologies Development Manager	
Mathew Wood	One Wolverhampton	Royal Wolverhampton Trust
Kate Warren	Public Health	
Santush Chaunkria	Equalities	
Adebimpe Winjobi	Procurement	

10.12 Evaluation of alternative options

- 10.13 The option to use internal resources has been discounted as CWC does not have the resources or infrastructure undertake the service, nor does it hold the service area expertise.
- 10.14 The option to conduct an open threshold procurement procedure was rejected as it would cause an increase in time, cost, and resource pressures.

10.15 Reason for decisions

- 10.16 A review of available framework agreements resulted in the identification of Northern Housing Consortium's (NHC) Technology Enabled Lives Framework as the most

suitable. ESPO and Procurement for Housing frameworks were considered, however the NHC Framework provides more opportunity due its larger provider list.

10.17 Research indicates that most of the larger providers in this sector utilise the frameworks; all of which are Public Contract Regulations 2015 compliant procurement frameworks which assist the UK public sector to buy and manage specialist professional services from a choice of regional and national suppliers.

10.18 Utilising a framework will deliver several advantages over the more formal procurement process:

- Fast, efficient, easy to use PCR2015 compliant procurement.
- Significant reduction in procurement timescale - Time is a factor in this procurement.
- Reduced procurement costs.
- Robust agreements resulting from thorough professional due diligence.
- Pre-agreed terms and conditions
- Reduces the risk of non-award.

10.19 Financial implications

10.20 The cost of the service can be met by the Telecare Budget £1,850,000 found under Independent Living Service.

10.21 Legal implications

10.22 The procurement process will be a framework further competition procedure in accordance with Regulation 33 of the Public Contract Regulations and Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

10.23 Equalities Implications

10.24 As part of the procurement process an equalities impact assessment is currently being undertaken. The equality impact assessment is a live document and continues to be reviewed to ensure that it takes account of inclusion groups and the protected characteristics as covered by the of the Equalities Act 2010.

10.25 Recommendation

10.26 Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director for Adult Social Care, to approve the award of the contract for Telecare Mobile Response Service for three years, with an option to extend up to two years once the evaluation process is complete.

11.0 Financial implications

11.1 All financial implications are included within the relevant section of the report.
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12.0 Legal implications

12.1 All legal implications are included within the relevant section of the report.
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13.0 Equalities implications

13.1 The relevance to equalities and progress in terms of equality analysis will vary for each proposal included in this report. Accountable officers have and will ensure that evidence is collected and used to demonstrate compliance with CWC's legal obligations under the Equality Act 2010.

14.0 All other implications

14.1 All other implications are included within the relevant section of the report.

15.0 Schedule of background papers

15.1 All background papers are included within the relevant section of the report.