

DECISION NOTICE

Notice is given that the following decision has been taken under the Provisions set out in the Council's Constitution

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care

Date: 24 March 2015

Decision in the matter of: Public Health Transformation Fund

Decision:

1. That the Portfolio Holder agrees that this is an appropriate Portfolio Holder decision given that Cabinet approved the Transformation Fund, and the financial spend for successful projects on 22 July 2014.
2. That approval be given for delegated authority to be given to officers to extend grant agreements to enable the full delivery of projects, not exceeding two years from the date of the grant.

Background: The Public Health Transformation Fund was created to improve the health and wellbeing of residents in Cheshire East. The dedicated, flexible and time-limited financial fund was established by Cabinet from the ring fenced Public Health budget to enable residents to access and benefit from innovative approaches to health not previously available in Cheshire East through statutory, voluntary, community, faith and private sector transformation initiatives.

On 22 July 2014 Cabinet approved the creation of the Public Health Transformation Fund and also that the decision to make the awards be delegated to the Fund Panel, chaired by the Portfolio Holder, and that the Panel report back to Cabinet on performance.

The period defined for the Transformation Fund bids was the current financial year, with completion of service delivery within a two year period or by 31 March 2016. Four sets of Panels have been held to review the submissions and interest in the fund has been significant with 42 bids received, 13 of which have been successful.

To maximise the health and wellbeing benefits an extension beyond 31 March 16 is requested where the bidders proposal is for a specific period e.g. 2 years from the date of commencement; all commencement periods are likely to be between January and July 2015. All funding for all of the projects is being made available from the 2014/15 budget, none recurrently. The grant agreements allow for an extension of the grant term should further authority be forthcoming.

Background Documents: The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report author.

Approved:

Signed
Councillor Janet Clowes (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)

Date: 24 March 2015

Advising Officer:

Signed
Lucia Scally (Senior Manager Public Health Commissioning)