Youth Services Contract

The report (which is a confidential report given the commercial issues involved) will request an extension to the contract with Youth First for provision of youth services, given the exceptional and unforeseen circumstances and the extreme urgency by Covid-19. Officers are working closely with Youth First to secure critical service delivery in the coming months to help stabilise and support a collective response to Covid-19

Permission to extend current Children & Young People's Personalised Care and Support Framework Agreement

The report (which is a confidential report given the commercial issues involved) will request an extension to the Children & Young People's Personalised Care and Support Framework Agreement for two years.

The aim of the framework is to set clear expectations of the quality and standards required by the London Borough of Lewisham and Lewisham Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) from service providers included to deliver personalised care and support for children and young people with complex needs & disabilities, and/or clinical medical needs.

The framework is based around four lots covering a range of complexity and support needs, from nursing care provided for children and young people with complex health needs to mentoring and buddying outreach work.

Permission to extend current Specialist Short Breaks contract – overnight, holiday and weekends – Ravensbourne Project

The report (which is a confidential report given the commercial issues involved) requests a 12 month extension to the contract with Ravensbourne Project for provision of Specialist Short Breaks (overnight, holiday and weekends) from 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021. In 2016, Ravensbourne Project successfully tendered to provide overnight, holiday and weekend provision as part of Lewisham's Specialist Short Breaks offer for children and young people with SEND and their families. On 8 February 2017, Mayor and Cabinet agreed to award a contract from 1 September 2017 to 31 August 2020, with an option to extend for one year.

Smarter Technology Phase 2

The report (which is a confidential report given the commercial issues involved) is about the Smarter Technology project which supports and enables flexible and agile working for Lewisham Council staff, including remote login and working from home. Phase 1 covered Laurence House staff and was combined with the refurbishment of the building (Better Office Space Programme). We are now moving into Phase 2, which covers the deployment of new IT hardware to the rest of Lewisham Council staff in 42 different Services/Teams across 30 sites in the borough. This involves deployment of laptops, PC and monitors.

Allocation of Section 106 Monies to support the delivery of new affordable, wheelchair compliant homes at Home Park as part of the Council's Precision Manufactured Homes Programme

Mayor and Cabinet is asked to approve an allocation of Section 106 contributions received by the Council from the Planning agreements to provide affordable and wheelchair housing delivery in the borough at Home Park.

Business Support during the Covid-19 pandemic

The report scopes the impact of Covid-19 on local business and provides an update on a range of specific responses that the Council is providing in the light of that impact, in addition to the Government's support programme. It seeks agreement to several practical steps and sets out a programme under the 'Lewisham backs Business' theme, with an initial ten point plan. When taken together this provides both an immediate practical focus and a broader base of response over the coming months.