

West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for **23 September 2024** call-in deadline **5 p.m. on 2 October 2024**

The following proposed key decision has been endorsed by an officer and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated.

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| Decision Title & Ref No: | Commissioning Residential and Nursing Care Homes (Adults with Mental Health Needs) OKD26 (24/25) |
| Officer responsible for decision | Director of Adults and Health (Alan Sinclair) |
| Electoral Divisions | All Divisions |
| Key Decision | Yes |
| Purpose | <p>Residential and nursing care home services for adults with mental health needs are purchased by the County Council on behalf of people who have been assessed as having eligible social care needs.</p> <p>The County Council has published a Commissioning Strategy and is in the process of developing a Market Position Statement and Public Mental Health Needs Assessment that will include intentions for how the County Council will procure this type of provision in the future. It is proposed that residential and nursing services will be recommissioned providing the opportunity for co-production with residents and care providers to ensure that they align with our vision and intentions for this care market going forward.</p> <p>To allow sufficient time for the recommissioning and ensure that the new arrangements are informed by the Commissioning Strategy and emerging Market Position Statement and Public Mental Health Needs Assessment, it is proposed that current provision is continued via direct award of contracts to residential care and nursing homes in West Sussex under new terms and conditions.</p> <p>The Director of Adults and Health will be asked to approve the direct award of contracts for the provision of residential and nursing care home services for Adults with Mental Health needs until October 2027, at the latest.</p> |
| Decision | The Director of Adults and Health has approved the direct award of contracts to existing residential care and nursing home providers for people with mental health needs to April 2027 with a further six (6) month extension to October 2027, if required. |
| Interest and nature of interest declared | None. |
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| Background papers | See report for details |