

**Bracknell Forest Council
Record of Decision**

Work Programme Reference	I106076
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1. **TITLE:** All-Age Advocacy Service Contract Award

2. **SERVICE AREA:** People

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To approve the contract award for an all-age advocacy service contract

4. **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive Member for Adult Services, Health and Housing,
Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning

6. **DECISION:**

That a contract for the Service, commencing on 1 October 2022 is awarded to Tenderer D, for an initial period of three years, with the option of a two further one year extensions to a maximum of five years (3+1+1 years) subject to satisfactory performance

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

1.1 To complete the procurement process for a provider of:

- a. Adult independent advocacy
- b. Children and young people's independent advocacy

1.2 The anticipated benefits delivered through awarding the contract to Tenderer D will include:

- a. Advocacy support for all ages from one provider
- b. Seamless transition for young people with ongoing advocacy needs, who are approaching adulthood
- c. Simplified performance and quality monitoring for adults, and children and young people's advocacy

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

The only alternative option considered was to award a single contract to a lead provider who could demonstrate a cohesive plan for working with partners to access aspects of the service which they cannot meet themselves.

9. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Executive Director: People

10. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
27 April 2022	5 May 2022