

**Bracknell Forest Council  
Record of Decision**

<b>Work Programme Reference</b>	<b>I115490</b>
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1. **TITLE:** Updated Sexual and Reproductive Health Recommissioning

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Place, Planning & Regeneration

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To update the committee on the progress and next steps for the Sexual and Reproductive Health mandatory service provision.

4. **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION:**

**RESOLVED** that

- i. a two-year direct award be approved to an eligible provider to ensure continuity of Specialist, Integrated SRH service provision beyond the 30 June 2024 across Berkshire East ((RBWM), Bracknell Forest Council (BFC) and Slough Borough Council).
- ii. the contract award be delivered as the Lead Authority for the procurement. The decision will be taken at RBWM's Cabinet on the 27<sup>th</sup> September and SBC's Cabinet on the 18 September 2023. The final decision will therefore be confirmed by the 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 when all 3 meetings will have met to take their decisions.
- iii. Bracknell Forest Council work with the market and NHS commissioning bodies to develop a life course response to sexual and reproductive health needs that offers better services for local communities. This process will result in initiation of a procurement of the Specialist Integrated SRH service during the lifetime of the 2-year contract to ensure longer term provision.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

- i. The contract for the Specialist Integrated SRH service for residents in the local authorities across Berkshire East (Bracknell Forest Council; (RBWM) and Slough Borough Council) is due to expire on 30 June 2024.
- ii. The recommended approach agreed by all local authorities was to retender under the light touch regime of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (the Regulations). The maximum financial envelope for BFC and Slough Borough Council was also agreed; for RBWM this occurs at award stage so had not yet taken place.
- iii. In March 2023 the Director of Public Health gained approval for BFC to go out to tender for the Berkshire East Specialist Integrated SRH Service.
- iv. This included a recommendation to continue joint commissioning arrangements

across Berkshire East to continue funding the total contract value jointly with BFC to lead the procurement process to tender under the light touch regime

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Detailed within the report.

9. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Public Health

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

<b>Date Decision Made</b>	<b>Final Day of Call-in Period</b>
19 September 2023	26 September 2023