

**Bracknell Forest Council  
Record of Decision**

<b>Work Programme Reference</b>	<b>I114584</b>
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1. **TITLE:** Supported Living - Strategic Procurement Plan

2. **SERVICE AREA:** People

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

Strategic Procurement Plan outlining new framework and approach for commissioning Supported Living services for individuals with Learning Disabilities and Autism.

4. **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION:**

- i. The Executive approve the Strategic Procurement Plan for procuring an “Independence Support & Supported Living” service through a flexible framework under the Light Touch Regime as detailed in the Strategic Procurement Plan.
- ii. The Executive delegate authority for the Supported Living Flexible Framework award decision to the Executive Director, People, following consultation with the Executive Member for Adult Services, Health and Housing.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

- i. The procurement will ensure the council meets its statutory duties of The Care Act 2014 which sets out clear expectations for local authorities, including:
  - ensuring that people in need of services have a wide range of choice and are supported and encouraged to make their own decisions about their care
  - ensuring sustainability of the market and sufficiency of provision
  - ensuring appropriate oversight of delivery and the accountability of providers
- ii. A Flexible Framework ensures a compliant approach to contracting with supported living providers. The Framework will provide an overarching specification with required standards and outcomes to be met. This will provide a consistent approach to contract monitoring and quality assurance.
- iii. A Flexible Framework allows a fair, transparent, and consistent approach to sourcing provision. All providers that are successful in their bid to join the Framework will be able to bid for individual packages with a robust, transparent call-off process in place, ensuring good outcomes and value for money.
- iv. A Flexible Framework allows the council to specify a pricing structure as part of the tender process. This will facilitate a fair and transparent approach to pricing and once fully mobilised will enable the council greater control of costs and ability to forecast

spend.

- v. The Framework Lots will each set out clear criteria and requirements for the support provision. This helps to set expectations for each type of service both in terms of activity and cost.
- vi. Extensive benchmarking, cost analysis and modelling has been undertaken to establish the pricing strategy for the Framework. Providers will be required

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

As Detailed in the Strategic Procurement Plan

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

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

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
18 July 2023	25 July 2023