

NOTIFICATION OF CLOSED BUSINESS FOR URGENT CONSIDERATION BY AN EXECUTIVE DECISION MAKING BODY

The required 28 days notice relating to a decision likely to be considered in closed session has not been given on the forward plan in respect of the decision detailed in this document. The matter is considered to be urgent and cannot be reasonably deferred for a further 28 days to enable the required notice to be given. Details of the issue are set out below.

Note: This notice applies to meetings of the cabinet, cabinet committee or community councils considering an executive function.

DECISION MAKER

Name of decision maker: Cabinet

Date of meeting: 10 February 2015

LEAD OFFICER DETAILS

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DETAILS OF THE REPORT

Title and brief description of the nature of the business to be considered:

Gateway 1, Procurement Strategy Approval, Adult Integrated Drug and Alcohol Treatment System

That cabinet approve the procurement strategy for the adult integrated drug and alcohol treatment system contract up to a maximum annual value of £4,100,000.

- *Why the decision is urgent and cannot be reasonably deferred i.e. Why it cannot wait a further 28 days or more to enable the required notice to be given?*

The next meeting of the cabinet is not scheduled to meet until 17 March 2015. A decision cannot wait until March because this would affect the procurement timescales which would in turn affect the financial reallocation of the public health budget from substance misuse to the wider public health priorities.

- *What is the potential cost to the council if the decision is delayed?*

£148,000

- *How long has the department known the decision required a closed report?*

See below.

- *If scheduled on the forward plan, what's changed to make this request necessary i.e. why a closed report is now necessary?*

The decision was listed on the forward plan. However reference to the requirement for a confidential report was not included in error. It will be necessary to prepare a closed report because it includes financially sensitive information, (that is not in the public domain) that relates to the current service providers.

Everton Roberts
For Proper Constitutional Officer
Dated: 2 February 2015