

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ADULT CARE AND HEALTH SERVICES

TO:	HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD		
DATE:	22 JANUARY 2016	AGENDA ITEM:	17
TITLE:	UPDATE -CHILD HEALTHY LIFESTYLE AND WEIGHT MANAGEMENT CONTRACT AWARD.		
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PURPOSE OF REPORT: TO CONFIRM THE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE CHILD HEALTHY LIFESTYLE AND WEIGHT MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME TO SOLUTIONS 4 HEALTH.

CURRENT POSITION:

1. The Council participated in a joint tendering exercise with West Berkshire Wokingham and Slough to commission an evidence-based children's healthy lifestyle and weight management programme to help families with overweight or obese children in Reading.
2. The contract has been awarded to 'Solutions 4 Health' for a period of three years plus options to extend for up to a further two years. The investment required by Reading is up to £25,700 per annum.
3. The contract start date is January 1st 2016.

BACKGROUND TO THE DECISION:

- A competitive tender process was been led by the West Berkshire Public Health Consultant on behalf of Reading, Slough, Wokingham and West Berkshire and therefore jointly undertaken by the shared Public Health team in Bracknell and carried out in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.
- A Business Manager (Bracknell Forest Council) and Programme Officers from each of the participating unitary authorities evaluated the eligible tender submissions. The financial elements of the bids have been reviewed independently by the finance lead at Bracknell Forest.

OUTCOME:

- A unanimous decision to award the contract to Solutions 4 Health was reached.
- Authority to award the contract was delegated to the Consultant in Public Health in consultation with the Lead Member for Health and the Head of Finance and Head of Legal and Democratic Services.