

TORBAY COUNCIL

Report No: F/37/04

Title: **Contracts valued in excess of £25,000**

To: Executive on 18th May 2004

1. Purpose

- 1.1. To seek approval from the Executive to proceed with proposals which will involve the expenditure of sums in excess of £25,000.

2. Relationship to Corporate Priorities

- 2.2 To raise awareness of organisational and strategic risks and use this to inform decision making and resource allocation.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 The recommendations for each matter are set out in the appendices to this report.

4. Reason for Recommendation and associated Key Risks

- 4.1 The reason and risks for each matter are set out in the appendices to this report.

5. Alternative Options (if any)

- 5.1 Any alternative options are set out in the appendices to this report.

6. Background

- 6.1 In accordance with paragraphs 2.10, 2.11 and 2.12 of Part 3 of Torbay Council's Constitution (responsibility for functions), the attached appendices contain details of proposals that require approval in relation to services where the estimated or actual (whichever is the higher) total contract value exceeds £25,000 or (if a contract is linked to another contract) where the aggregate estimated or actual value exceeds that amount.

7. Appendices

- Appendix 1 - Children's Services and Older Persons cases in excess of £25,000 per annum
Appendix 2 - South West Adult Placement Scheme
Appendix 3 - Adult Services Block contracts in excess of £25,000 per annum
Appendix 4 - details of each contract (exempt information by virtue of paragraphs 3 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972).

Directorate: Social Services Directorate	Service/Division: Children's Services and Older People
Details of contract: Cases in excess of £25,000 per annum.	Reason for Expenditure: Service provision for older people and children with complex needs. In accordance with the 1989 Children's Act and the Community Care Act
Recommendation: To support the ongoing provision of the cases identified as being appropriate to the need.	Reason for Recommendation: To comply with the Council's statutory responsibilities.
Suggested Value: 1. £160,391 2. £135,571 3. £247,679 4. £156,429 5. £42,000 6. £237,250 7. £41,610 8. £41,610 (all Children's Services) 9. £25,168 (Older Person)	Is budget available? Yes, however the cost of these cases needs to be seen in the context of Budget pressures on the Children's Services Budgets in 2004/5
	Is this a Key Decision? No.
Alternative options/Key Risks: The individuals need have been assessed, under Fair Access to Care. Failure to provide a service would create significant risks.	Legal implications: Compliance with a range of legislation. Council would be acting outside of legislation and liable to judicial review.
Name of Executive Member with responsibility for this matter: Cllr McHugh	Is the Executive Member in agreement with the proposal? Yes
Contact: Vince Clark Children's Services Telephone no: Ext 8402 Philipppa Scott Adult Services : Telephone no: Ext 8396	

Directorate: Social Services	Service/Division: Learning Disabilities
Details of contract/address of property: South West Adult Placement Scheme. (To provide Adult placement support for 14+ Service users in Torbay)	Reason for Expenditure: This is not new expenditure but is currently split between a number of small providers. Our New contract will be with the new organisation and will amalgamate these services in a cost and volume contract. The way the service is funded will be more benefit related and this will create savings for social services.
Recommendation: To contract with the new South West Adult Placement Provider.	Reason for Recommendation: Savings to the council. Independent organisation can bid for other grant funding to get added value for service users. More robust organisation that can recruit and retain Adult Placement Providers.
Suggested Value: £55,309 per annum base contract price.	Is budget available? Yes, (Already identified in purchasing budgets under current model. This new service delivery will save a minimum of £21,000 per annum.)
	Is this a Key Decision? No
Alternative options/Key Risks: Develop existing model in Torbay but associated risks are to create costs associated with administration of the scheme, and bear them in totality. Services are well established and there will be no change in direct staff for service users.	Legal implications: New Contract development.
Name of Executive Member with responsibility for this matter: Loretta McHugh	Is the Executive Member in agreement with the proposal? Yes.
Contact:	Name of responsible officer: Helen Toker-Lester Telephone no:01803 208393

Appendix 3 to Report No. F/37/04

<p>Directorate:</p> <p>Social Services Directorate</p>	<p>Service/Division:</p> <p>Adult Services</p>
<p>Details of contract/address of property:</p> <p>Block Contracts in excess of £25,000 per annum.</p>	<p>Reason for Expenditure:</p> <p>Extension of Existing Block Contracts in Adult Services for the Financial Year 2004/05</p>
<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>To support the continuation of the existing level of services for adult clients to meet their appropriate needs.</p>	<p>Reason for Recommendation:</p> <p>All existing block contracts are to be evaluated within this financial year with a view to reviewing or re-tendering as appropriate within overall commissioning strategy for Adult Services.</p>
<p>Suggested Value:</p> <p>1. Age Concern £32,640</p> <p>2. Age Concern £54,927</p> <p>3. Brixham Does Care £26,523</p>	<p>Is budget available?</p> <p>Yes.</p>
	<p>Is this a Key Decision?</p> <p>No.</p>
<p>Alternative options/Key Risks:</p> <p>There are no realistic alternatives for continuation of service for this financial year. See reason for recommendation above. All contracts are to be evaluated with a view to re-tendering/ re-design as a part of Adult Services Commissioning Strategy</p>	<p>Legal implications:</p> <p>No additional legal implications.</p>
<p>Name of Executive Member with responsibility for this matter:</p> <p>Cllr Mc Hugh</p>	<p>Is the Executive Member in agreement with the proposal?</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Contact: Name of responsible officers: Ray Hodgson, Adult Services</p> <p> Telephone no: Ext 8535</p>	