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DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES

24 July 2023

Report of the Director – Public Health

Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership change to funding recipient

(Cabinet Member for Health and Communities)

1. Divisions Affected

1.1 Amber Valley

2. Key Decision

2.1 This is not a key decision.

3. Purpose

3.1 This report seeks approval from the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities approval to:

- a. Replace the previously approved recipient for the Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership funding with Amber Valley CVS with effect from 1st August 2023
- b. Transfer £99,685.51 to Amber Valley CVS as part of the main locality agreement for 2022-23 to be spent within the 2023-24 financial year.
- c. Transfer £99,685.51 to Amber Valley CVS as part of the main locality agreement for 2023-24
- d. Transfer £50,000 to Amber Valley CVS as part of grant expenditure plan for the Contain Outbreak Management Fund for 2023-24 for the extension of the community approach to support the emotional wellbeing of children and young people impacted

by the pandemic through effective prevention and promotion strategies.

- e. Transfer £50,000 to Amber Valley CVS as part of the grant expenditure plan for the Contain Outbreak management Fund for 2024-25 for the extension of the community approach to support the emotional wellbeing of children and young people impacted by the pandemic through effective prevention and promotion strategies.

4. Information and Analysis

- 4.1 Locality Public Health funding is devolved to eight Health and Wellbeing Partnerships across Derbyshire who have devolved powers to allocate the monies. The recipients of the funding are members of the local partnership and are either the local Borough or District Council, or the local CVS organisation. The identified organisation holds the funds, but decisions on how these funds are spent locally are made collectively by the leadership team in each Health and Wellbeing Partnership.
- 4.2 In 2022 the main Health and Wellbeing Partnership funding contracts were updated by the Commissioning Team, increasing accountability and liability for record keeping to the Local Health and Wellbeing Partnerships. As a result, this process caused some delays to the roll out of the funding as separate legal teams checked and queried new contract requirements. Amber Valley Borough Council did not agree to the new contract terms partly due to the extra administration and accountability and so the funding was not transferred over but held while contract negotiations were ongoing. All other 7 Health and Wellbeing Partnerships have signed and received their 2022-23 funding allowance and are currently about to receive their 2023-24 funding allowance.
- 4.3 An agreement was reached in principle with Public Health, Amber Valley Borough Council, and Amber Valley CVS, that Amber Valley CVS could receive and manage the administration of the funding instead of the Borough Council, subject to Cabinet Member approval. Amber Valley CVS are key members of the Health and Wellbeing Partnership, and governance is in place to ensure all decisions on spending are agreed and ratified by the Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Leadership Team.
- 4.4 Amber Valley CVS on behalf of the Health and Wellbeing Partnership, has previously managed other funding for projects, and has a good working relationship within the Health and Wellbeing Partnership.

Therefore, Public Health is confident that Amber Valley CVS can act as the main fund holder for the main locality grant.

- 4.5 On 01 June 2023 the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities approved a report to extend the community approach to support the emotional health and wellbeing of young people impacted by the pandemic through effective prevention and promotion of strategies, through the Contain Outbreak Management Fund.

Funding is allocated to Health and Wellbeing Partnerships based on local need and insight (£50,000 to each district for 2 years). It is proposed that Amber Valley CVS act as the main fund holder on behalf of the Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership.

5. Alternative Options Considered

- 5.1 Alternative option: Do not approve a change to recipient within the Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership

This is not a preferred option. The funding would not be directly devolved to the Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership and would need to be held by Public Health, and each item of spend would need to come to the Cabinet Member for approval creating considerable delays to decision on individual health projects, administration and resources, and ultimately delaying health improvements within the Amber Valley region.

6. Implications

- 6.1 Appendix 1 sets out the relevant implications considered in the preparation of the report.

7. Background Papers

- 7.1 [10 March 2022 – Public Health Localities Programme 2022-23 to 2023-24](#)
- 7.2 [01 June 2023 - Contain Outbreak Management Fund spend for 2023/24 and 2024/25](#)

8. Appendices

- 8.1 Appendix 1 – Implications

9. Recommendation(s)

9.1 That the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities approves:

- a) The replacement of the previously approved recipient for the Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership funding (Amber Valley Council) with Amber Valley CVS with effect from 1st August 2023
- b) The transfer of that £99,685.51 to Amber Valley CVS as part of the main locality agreement for 2022-23 to be spent within the 2023-24 financial year.
- c) The transfer of £99,685.51 to Amber Valley CVS as part of the main locality agreement for 2023-24
- d) The transfer of £50,000 to Amber Valley CVS as part of grant expenditure plan for the Contain Outbreak Management Fund for 2023-24 for the extension of the community approach to support the emotional wellbeing of children and young people impacted by the pandemic through effective prevention and promotion strategies.
- e) The transfer of £50,000 to Amber Valley CVS as part of the grant expenditure plan for the Contain Outbreak management Fund for 2024-25 for the extension of the community approach to support the emotional wellbeing of children and young people impacted by the pandemic through effective prevention and promotion strategies.

10 Reasons for Recommendation(s)

- 10.1 The Public Health Locality Programme contributes to improving health, wellness and reducing health inequalities at a local level. The eight Health and Wellbeing Partnerships facilitate the involvement of local partners and communities using a collaborative approach in the design and delivery to improve local health outcomes.
- 10.2 The change to recipient will mean the Amber Valley CVS can receive the devolved funding, and implement the Health and Wellbeing Partnership locally agreed community activities to improve health and wellbeing for the local population.
- 10.3 To apply the Contain Outbreak Management Funding in accordance with the latest guidance to address some of the most significant ongoing impacts of the pandemic on the residents of Derbyshire.

11 Is it necessary to waive the call-in period?

No.

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Implications

Financial

- 1.1 The allocated funding for Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership for 2022-23 is £99,685.51, and for 2023-24 is £99,685.51.
- 1.2 The Contain Outbreak Management Funding for Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing partnership for 23-24 is £50,000, and for 2024-25 is £50,000.

Legal

- 2.1 The Council has power to provide funding and grants under the general power of competence set out in section 1 of the Localism Act 2011.
- 2.2 The Council's Locality Funding contract agreement shall be used to set out the terms and conditions for which the funding is made. This includes conditions for clawback of funding in certain circumstances.
- 2.3 Whilst a draft locality agreement was discussed with Amber Valley Borough Council it was never formally agreed. Therefore, a new agreement for Amber Valley CVS will be drawn up to enable the agreed locality funding to be transferred to the CVS via a grant funding arrangement.

Human Resources

- 3.1 The funding will enable the Amber Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership to deliver projects and services. Derbyshire County Council accepts no employment or future redundancy liability, with all employment and related matters to be managed by the providers.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 4.1 The recommendations in this paper support delivery of the following priorities for the next year in the Council Plan:
 - Continued to deliver the ongoing Covid-19 response and recovery in relation to health protection, alongside wider partnership action to tackle health inequalities.
 - Worked with partners to promote positive mental wellbeing and improve support for local people, with a particular focus on children and young people at both school and in the community.