

Officer Decision Record – Executive Decision

If Key Decision: Decision Ref. No.

B065/20

(If not a Key Decision write n/a above)

OFFICER DECISION RECORD ¹

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Subject: Implementing Phase 2 of an assistive technology pilot across one locality to test out and evaluate new digital technologies to support people's independence and increase their ability to stay in their own home. Phase 2 to be conducted using the same approach as the initial Proof of Concept pilot. <i>(If a Key Decision please use the same title as provided in the Forward Plan)</i>	
Type of Decision: Non-Executive <i>(Please delete as applicable)</i>	Key Decision (Executive Functions only): Yes
Officer Contact: David Coolbear Tel: (01438) 843872	Executive Member/Committee Chairman: Richard Roberts Portfolio (Executive Functions only): Adult Care & Health

1. Decision

To commission Cascade3d, GDS Digital and Independent Living Supplies by way of direct award to work with Hertfordshire County Council to implement the Council's Assistive Technology Phase 2 Locality Rollout pilot in Adult Care Services in line with the Council's Assistive Technology Strategy.

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2. Reasons for the decision

The first part (the Proof of Concept (PoC) pilot) has recently completed and evaluated by Public Health. Whilst the headline outcomes identified in the evaluation are very positive it was noted that a lot of development work was needed to ensure the technology deployed could be effectively used by social care and health professionals. A tender process was originally undertaken to identify a provider to work with Hertfordshire County Council (Cascade3d was successful in their tender application) and it is imperative to continue to work with Cascade3d so not to lose, or having to start again, with this short interim contract, with the key areas around ICT security, GDPR, front line practitioner training on equipment use, maintaining the current technology arrangements for those service users on the PoC pilot to ensure continuation of service in a safe way by utilising the same technology in Phase 2 that was commissioned during the PoC pilot. In addition to using the Cascade3d equipment HCC also want to use AT Phase 2 to trial the use of video calling technology incorporating this into the Public Health evaluation of Phase 2. The gold standard is to incorporate video technology as an integral part of the sensor/dashboard rather than having this as a standalone component. Therefore, as part of AT Phase 2 we want to trial the use of an integrated sensor and dashboard technology (provided by Cascade3d) alongside an integrated video calling technology (provided by GDS Digital).

3. Alternative options considered and rejected

None for the reasons stated above. However, once AT Phase 2 has been evaluated this will inform future commissioning and procurement decisions and process.

4. Consultation *(see Summary of Requirements below)*

Was any Councillor consulted? **No** *(delete as applicable)*

If yes:

(a) Comments of Executive Member/Committee Chairman *(delete as applicable)*

(b) Comments of other consultees

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5. **Any conflict of interest declared by a councillor who has been consulted in relation to the decision**

None

(If a Councillor declares a conflict of interest DO NOT PROCEED without seeking advice from Democratic Services or Legal Services).

6. **[Following consultation with the Executive Member/Committee Chairman,] I am proceeding with the proposed decision.** *(delete words in square brackets if no requirement to consult the Executive Member/Committee Chairman)*

Signed:

Title:

Date: 3 September 2020

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- All consultees
- hard & electronic copy (if required to be made available for public inspection) to Democratic Services Manager - Room 213 County Hall.ⁱⁱ

Summary of Requirements to Inform/Consult Councillors

Significance of Proposed Action	Controversial	Relevant Councillor(s) to be Consulted
Technical/Professional/ Routine	No	No need to inform or consult councillors
Technical/Professional/ Routine	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member and, where appropriate, Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions:

		Relevant Committee Chairman and, where appropriate, Local Councillor
Local	No	<p>Executive Functions:</p> <p>Inform Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor</p> <p>Non-Executive Functions:</p> <p>Inform Local Councillor</p>
Local	Yes	<p>Executive Functions:</p> <p>Consult Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor</p> <p>Non-Executive Functions:</p> <p>Consult Local Councillor</p>
General or County-wide	No	<p>Executive Functions:</p> <p>Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s)</p> <p>Non-Executive Functions:</p> <p>Consult relevant Committee Chairman</p>
General or County-wide	Yes	<p>Executive Functions:</p> <p>Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) and the Leader of the Council</p> <p>Non-Executive Functions:</p> <p>Consult relevant Committee Chairman/Leaders all Political Groups</p>

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