

## Officer Decision Record – Executive Decision

**If Key Decision: Decision Ref. No.  
B064/23**

*If not a Key Decision write n/a above*

### OFFICER DECISION RECORD <sup>1</sup>

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#### **Subject:**

Contract award via G-Cloud 13 for the development and implementation of a Hertfordshire-wide, multi-agency, digital portal to support the emotional and mental wellbeing needs of children and young people.

**Type of Decision:** Executive

**Key Decision (Executive Functions only):** Yes

#### **Executive Member/Committee Chairman:**

Cllr Fiona Thomson

#### **Portfolio (Executive Functions only):**

Children, Young People and Families

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**April 2020**

## 1. Decision

To award the contract to **CONFIDENTIAL – See Annexe A** – the Provider identified in accordance with the G-Cloud 13 buying process – for the development and implementation of a Hertfordshire-wide, multi-agency, digital portal to support the emotional and mental wellbeing needs of children and young people.

## 2. Reasons for the decision

In line with the ambitions of the Children and Young People’s Mental Health Service (CYPMHS) System Redesign Programme, a digital portal is required to enhance existing referral processes. This will ensure CYP receives the most appropriate support, at the right time, from the appropriate service.

Following market engagement, conversations with SPG and technical partners it was determined that G-Cloud 13 would be an appropriate means of procuring the required digital provider to support the ambition. The G-Cloud 13 buying process has been completed in line with HCC and national guidance, and a successful provider has been identified.

## 3. Alternative options considered and rejected

### **Option 1 – Do nothing**

The risk of not continuing to procure this Provision would be to fail to develop and implement a more robust and intuitive referral process, along with the provision of trusted resources of information, advice, and guidance to those CYP who require support for emotional wellbeing and mental health needs.

The Mental Health of these CYP could worsen without this provision and this would also potentially increase pressure on other services within Hertfordshire.

### **Option 2 – Develop a CYPMHS digital framework**

This would be a complex solution which would only be worthwhile if the Framework would be used to offer additional Digital Services. Currently there is insufficient evidence to suggest that this would be beneficial to HCC.

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

**Was any Councillor consulted?            No**

**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**

N/A

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

6. **I am proceeding with the proposed decision.**

Signed: ...Miranda Gittos.....

Title: Director of Specialist Services and Commissioning

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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- All consultees
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<b>Significance of Proposed Action</b>	<b>Controversial</b>	<b>Relevant Councillor(s) to be Consulted</b>
Technical/Professional/ Routine	No	No need to inform or consult councillors
Technical/Professional/ Routine	Yes	<b>Executive Functions:</b> Consult relevant Lead Executive Member and, where appropriate, Local Councillor <b>Non-Executive Functions:</b> Relevant Committee Chairman and, where appropriate, Local Councillor
Local	No	<b>Executive Functions:</b> Inform Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor <b>Non-Executive Functions:</b> Inform Local Councillor
Local	Yes	<b>Executive Functions:</b> Consult Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor <b>Non-Executive Functions:</b> Consult Local Councillor
General or County-wide	No	<b>Executive Functions:</b> Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) <b>Non-Executive Functions:</b> Consult relevant Committee Chairman
General or County-wide	Yes	<b>Executive Functions:</b> Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) and the Leader of the Council <b>Non-Executive Functions:</b> Consult relevant Committee Chairman/Leaders all Political Groups