

Contract for Universal Youth Services.

REPORT TO; the Corporate Director Children and Young Peoples Services (CYPS)
Stuart Carlton

DECISION DATE: Thursday 25th November 2021

SUPPORTING ANNEX; This report includes a supporting Annex which contains exempt information as described in paragraphs 1, 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)

PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Authority carry out an Open Procurement process under the Light-Touch Regime for the re-tendering of Universal Youth Services. The estimated contract value will be in the region of £1.5 million over a proposed 8-year duration.

BACKGROUND TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION

The tender exercise will be a re-procurement of the existing provision that was originally procured in 2017 and was extended, as per the contract terms and conditions, for a further 2 years until 31 August 2022 in 2020.

Statutory guidance states that Under section 507B of the Education Act 1996, every local authority in England must “so far as reasonably practicable, secure for qualifying young persons...access to sufficient educational and leisure-time activities which are for the improvement of their wellbeing” therefore the Authority commissions Voluntary and Direct Funded Youth clubs across the County.

LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE COMPLIANCE

The contract will be procured in line with the Public Contract Regulations 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

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