Bury Health and Wellbeing Board

Title of the Report	Substance Misuse position paper		
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1. Executive Summary

Is this report for?	Information x	Discussion x	Decision
Why is this report being brought to the Board?	For information and endorsement of the approach		
Please detail which, if any, of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities the report relates to. (See attached Strategy) www.theburydirectory.co.uk/healthandwell beingboard	Priority 1, 2 and 3		
Please detail which, if any, of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment priorities the report relates to. (See attached JSNA) http://jsna.theburydirectory.co.uk/kb5/bury/jsna/home.page			
Key Actions for the Health and Wellbeing Board / proposed recommendations for action.	Endorse and support the decision to go with option 1 to commission an all age Substance Misuse service.		
What requirement is there for internal or external communication around this area?	This will be communicated with all internal stakeholders including the CCG and relevant health services. This will also be communicated with all current providers and advertised and promoted at the appropriate time during the commissioning process.		
Assurance and tracking process – Has the report been considered at any other committee meeting of the Council/meeting of the CCG Board/other stakeholdersplease provide details.	The paper will be taken to other boards as appropriate, following the HWB. The paper has been to Senior Leadership Team.		

2. Introduction / Background

In 2013 Bury council went out to tender for the local adult substance misuse service. One Recovery Bury won the contract through a competitive tendering process. As a result they were awarded a 3+1 year contract that commenced in February 2014. The contract entered into the first plus 1 on 05/02/17 and was extended for 12 months on 05/02/18. Therefore there is approximately 7 months left on the current contract. The contract value for the service is approximately £1,765,400 per year. The total contract value includes the £160,000 investment towards the Greater Manchester Tier 4 Framework for inpatient detoxification treatment. In addition a small number of Bury residents require community rehabilitation following on from detoxification, this is funded through separate monies and costs approximately £130,000 annually.

In 2014 Bury council went out to tender for a young peoples and families substance misuse service. This tender was won by Early Break who provide the service for young people up to the age of 18 years. This was originally a 2 year contract which commenced on 1st October 2014 and finished 30th September 2016. The contract has since been extended twice and most recently extending until 31st March 2019 (to bring it in line with the adult substance misuse service). The current level of investment into the young people substance misuse service for 2018/19 is £223,054 per year.

Aligning the contract end dates has potentially provided an opportunity to transform how substance misuse services are delivered across the life course. It would allow us to rethink the delivery in line with the transformational and locality plans to ensure best outcomes are achieved through our investments.

In 2015 Bury launched a multi-agency drug and alcohol strategy for 2015-2018, with 3 key aims – reducing demand, restricting supply and building recovery in communities. The strategy outlines the important links with the wider determinants that impact on the extent of the problems including housing and homelessness, employment, education, mental health and crime. A local action plan was produced to support the strategy however this is in need of updating.

In addition it is important to note the aims align and cover much of the 6 key priorities within the draft GM drug and alcohol strategy, including;-

- Prevention and early intervention
- Reducing drug and alcohol related harm
- Building recovery in communities
- Reducing drug and alcohol related crime and disorder
- Managing accessibility and availability to drugs and alcohol
- Establishing a diverse, vibrant and safe night time economies

In March 2017 a position statement was produced for the young people's and families substance misuse in Bury. This provided an overview of the usage of the young people's substance misuse service during 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 and highlighted factors that may impact future demand.

The commissioning of the new drug and alcohol service provides an opportunity to align the national and GM strategy and the all age approach. This should in turn help to provide a clear strategic focus across both children and adults.

3. key issues for the Board to Consider

There are a number of potential options as to the next steps all of which have pros and cons – these are outlined below

Option 1

Commission an all age service

Option 2

Commission two services one for children and young people and one for adults

Option 3

Roll current contracts and do some development work on the transition

Option 4

Explore if we can join other existing contracts within neighbouring authorities

4. Recommendations for action

Following detailed discussions with the senior leadership team it was recommended that **option 1** 'to commission an all age service' would be the

most effective approach. An appropriate and effective service specification will be developed to ensure all elements of the life course approach are addressed appropriately.

The board is being asked to endorse and support the decision.

5. Financial and legal implications (if any)
If necessary please seek advice from the Council Monitoring
Officer Jayne Hammond (J.M.Hammond@bury.gov.uk) or Section
151 Officer Steve Kenyon (S.Kenyon@bury.gov.uk).

As part of the process work has been done with the legal team to risk assess the delay of the new contract until August 2019. In addition as part of the service specification development potential options for making savings on the contract will be explored.

6. Equality/Diversity Implications. Please attach the completed Equality and Analysis Form if required.

A detailed equality impact assessment will be developed as part of the service specification.

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