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|                               | <b>Cabinet Member Decision</b>  |
|  | <b>Report from the Corporate Director of Care, Health and Wellbeing</b> |
|  | <b>Cabinet Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care</b>           |
| <b>Updated Report on the Children’s Public Health Services 0-19 Years (Health Visiting and School Nursing)</b> |   |

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| <b>Wards Affected:</b>  | All  |
| <b>Key or Non-Key Decision:</b>   | Key  |
| <b>Open or Part/Fully Exempt:</b><br><small>(If exempt, please highlight relevant paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of 1972 Local Government Act)</small> | Open   |
| <b>List of Appendices:</b>  | None   |
| <b>Background Papers:</b>   | None   |
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## 1.0 Executive Summary

1.1 This report is an update of the two previous reports to vary and extend the contract in respect of Children’s Public Health Services 0-19 years (health visiting and School Nursing) with Central London Community Health Care (CLCH) NHS Trust in accordance with paragraph 13 of Part 3 of the Constitution. The report summarises the reasons for updating the previous reports.

## 2.0 Recommendation(s)

That the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care, having consulted with the Leader:

2.1 Notes and approves the revised values of the variation and extension of the current contract for Children’s Public Health Services 0-19 years – Health Visiting and School Nursing with the Central London Community Health Care NHS Trust (“CLCH”) from the 1 April 2023 as follows:

- Contract variation and extension from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 – 15<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
The value of the contract extension for this period is £203,107 with the cost of the variation of £21,938.
- Contract variation and extension from 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

The value of the contract extension for this period is £5,077,688 with the cost of the variation of £548,463.

### **3.1 Contribution to Borough Plan**

3.1.1 The 0-19 service supports giving children the Best Start in Life.

### **3.2 Detail**

3.2.1 The previous report referred to the annual contract value as £5,226,996 and the cost of the variation as £201,038. The actual cost of the yearly contract should have been £5,280,795 and the cost of the variation as £570,402 giving a combine value of £5,851,197.

3.2.2 Approval to vary and extend the contract from the 1 April 2023 to 15 April 2023 was obtained from the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care on 31 March 2023. That report referred to the annual contract value as £5,226,996 and the cost of the variation as £201,038. The actual cost of the yearly contract should have been £5,280,795 and the cost of the variation as £570,402. From 1 April 2023 to 15 April 2023 the contract value for this period is £203,107 with the cost of the variation of £21,938.

3.2.3 A second report for the approval to vary and extend the contract from the 16 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 was obtained from the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care on 5 April 2023. However, the report referred to the yearly contract as being £5,025,958 and the variation as £403,392.

### **3.3 Background**

3.3.1 The Council entered into a contract for Children's Public Health 0-19 years (Health Visiting and School Nursing) with Central London Community Health Care NHS Trust (the "Contract").

3.3.2 The Contract was due to expire on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. In order to permit time for the implementation of the Provider Selection Regime to be introduced under the Health & Care Act 2022, Officers considered that extending the Contract was appropriate.

3.3.3 The Contract does not currently contain provision allowing for extension and therefore Officers sought authority to vary the Contract to allow for its extension and also agreement to the extension of the Contract by two weeks for ongoing discussions with CLCH, with a view to a longer-term extension pending the implementation of the Provider Selection Regime.

3.3.4 Officers considered whether to procure a replacement contract. However, Officers considered that this service should be commissioned under the Provider Selection Regime to be introduced under the Health & Care Act 2022. Given the Provider Selection Regime will be introduced in the near future, Officers felt that a further extension of the Contract was appropriate.

3.3.5 The contract was extended but incorrect figures were provided because the budget codes for the 0-19 service were handed over to a new officer who noticed the errors in the budget lines. The papers sent previously were written prior to the transfer of the budget codes. This paper is to clarify this issue and show the correct figures.

#### **4.0 Stakeholder and ward member consultation and engagement**

4.1 Not applicable.

#### **5.0 Financial Considerations**

5.1 The value of the Contract is £5,280,795 per annum. The value of the proposed variation (£570,402) and extension is £5,851,197.

5.2 The cost of this variation and extension of the Contract will be funded from the Public Health budget.

#### **6.0 Legal Considerations**

6.1 On the 31<sup>st</sup> March and 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023, the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Adult Social Care approved the extension and variation of the contract for Children's Public Health Services 0-19 years (Health Visiting and School Nursing). Officers are providing an update on the value of the contract and the value of the contract extension and seek approval of the revised figures.

#### **7.0 Equality Implications**

7.1 The proposals in this report have been subject to screening and officers believe that there are no adverse equality implications.

#### **8.0 Climate Change and Environmental Considerations**

8.1 Not applicable.

#### **9.0 Human Resources/Property Considerations (if appropriate)**

9.1 Not applicable.

#### **10.0 Communication Considerations**

10.1 None

#### **Related Documents:**

Individual Cabinet Member Report to vary and extend 0-19 years Health Visiting and School Nursing 1 April 2023 to 15 April 2023

Individual Cabinet Member Report to vary and extend 0-19 years Health Visiting and School Nursing 16 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

**Report sign off:**

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