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Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules

Purpose

- 1.1
- Opportunity Area Grant – acceptance of grant of up to £1.369m
 - Opportunity Areas Programme - approval of delegated authority for procurements relating to the programme
 - Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team – a bid for Ageing Well Programme of £0.780m and approve delegated authority to accept and allocate funding
 - Rapid Integrated Independence at Home – delegate authority to bid, accept and allocate future years funding as part of the NHS Forward Plan 2022/25
 - 1 Abbey Yard - declare as surplus to the Council's requirements and delegate authority to agree terms of the disposal of the property
 - Household Support Fund - acceptance of funding of £2.224m and allocation as appropriate
 - Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School - Use Ravensdale insurance reserve for decanting costs of £0.273m and delegated authority to approve the funding of any variance to this in line with the final agreed insurance settlement
 - Holiday Activities and Food Programme - approval to allow planning and implementation of the Winter Holiday Activity and Food Programme working with Community Action Derby and approve the award of a grant of up to £0.485m to Community Action Derby.
 - Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) reserve up to a maximum value of £930,000 to complete the High Needs Transformation Programme.
 - Award of a contract to Impower for £640,000 (to be funded from DSG reserves as referred to above) as part of the necessary engagement of external specialists to support the delivery of the High Needs Transformation Programme

Recommendations

- 2.1 To approve the acceptance of the Opportunity Area Grant for Derby for an additional grant of up to £1.369m as outlined in section 4.1.

- 2.2 To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of People Services in consultation with the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the relevant Cabinet Member for Children and Young People for the spending of Opportunity Area funds through grants and contracts as outlined in section 4.1.
- 2.3 To note a bid to The Ageing Well Programme Board, hosted by Derbyshire & Derby Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), for Ageing Well Programme funding, to provide the Adult Social Care element of the NHS's Urgent Community Response in Derby as outlined in section 4.10.
- 2.4 To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to agree acceptable terms, as appropriate, and accept the Ageing Well Programme funding as outlined in section 4.10.
- 2.5 To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to allocate the 2021/22 Ageing Well Programme funding of £0.780m in line with Derby & Derbyshire CCG terms as outlined in section 4.10.
- 2.6 To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to bid for, accept and allocate future Ageing Well Programme funding as part of the NHS Forward Plan 2022/25 for the purpose of delivering the Adults Social Care element of NHS's Urgent Community Response as outlined in section 4.10.
- 2.7 To approve 1 Abbey Yard, Darley Abbey, Derby DE22 1DS as surplus to the Council's requirements as outlined in section 4.20.
- 2.8 To approve the delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Finance, Assets and Digital, to agree the terms for the disposal of the property as outlined in section 4.20.
- 2.9 To approve the acceptance of funding of £2.224m for Household Support funding as outlined in section 4.25.
- 2.10 To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director for Peoples Service in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Children, to approve the Council commencement of a compliant procurement process and award of a contract to a suitable provider to support the voucher scheme outlined in section 4.25, for the period of 1 year with a possible extension of a further 1 year to a maximum contract value of £7m, subject to receipt of further funding.
- 2.11 To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director for People Services in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Skills, to award grants to the Voluntary Sector in Derby via Community Action Derby as outlined in section 4.25.

- 2.12 To approve the use of the Ravensdale Fire Insurance Reserve to fund indicative revenue decanting costs agreed in principle with the Council's insurers of £0.273m as outlined in section 4.32.
- 2.13 To approve the delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member, to approve the funding of any variance in final decanting costs above the indicative estimate of £0.273m from the Ravensdale insurance reserve, in line with the final agreed decanting insurance settlement as outlined in section 4.32.
- 2.14 To note the acceptance of a Department for Education (DfE) contingency grant of £0.126m for the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme Grant 2021 for the Winter Programme as outlined in section 4.37.
- 2.15 To agree that Community Action Derby (CAD) will continue to administer, fund and liaise with delivery partners to ensure access to holiday, activities and food support for children at eligible for free school meals and approve the award of a grant of up to £0.485m to CAD as outlined in section 4.37.
- 2.16 To approve the use of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) reserve up to a maximum value of £930,000 to complete the High Needs Transformation Programme.
- 2.17 To approve the award of a contract to Impower for £640,000 (to be funded from DSG reserves as referred to in paragraph [2.16] above) as part of the necessary engagement of external specialists to support the delivery of the High Needs Transformation Programme

Reasons

- 3.1 To comply with the Council's Financial and Contract Procedure Rules.

Supporting information

4.1 Opportunity Areas programme

The Derby Opportunity Areas Programme has been funded by the Department for Education (DfE) since October 2016. Derby's most deprived areas have received funding via education settings and private education specialists to improve social mobility giving children from disadvantaged backgrounds the best start in life. Successful projects have ranged from Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2 reading and writing support through to post 16 careers advice.

- 4.2 Through the continued success of this programme and with the recent Covid-19 pandemic, the DfE have offered/expanded the programme for a further 12 months with a new focus on making up lost learning time due to the pandemic, as well as levelling up the education outcomes and tackling barriers to skills and employment.

- 4.3 The local Opportunity Area Board continues to make recommendations to the DfE on how Opportunity Area funding should be allocated. Derby City Council has been asked to receive an additional grant from the DfE on behalf of the local area and award it to providers in line with recommendations from the local Opportunity Area Board and DfE, and in line with public sector procurement rules. It is expected that all of the funding Derby City Council receives from the DfE would be awarded to the Opportunity Area programme. The DfE will ask Derby City Council to receive a grant of up to £ £1.369m for the area during 2021 and 2022 financial years and to award this in line with the recommendations from the local Opportunity Area Board and DfE.
- 4.4 The purpose of this targeted work, programmes and money is to ensure children, particularly from disadvantaged backgrounds get the best start in the early years, to build teaching and leadership capacity in schools, to increase access to university, to strengthen technical pathways for young people, and work with employers to improve young people's access to the right advice and experiences. The programme will also help pupils catch up on lost learning time while schools were closed to many pupils during the pandemic, and to help narrow the attainment gap.
- 4.5 The Opportunity Area programme has been extended by the DfE until 31 August 2022. Proposals are made to the Opportunity area Board via its subgroups, and if they secure the agreement of the Opportunity Area Board and the DfE, then, as the accountable body for the funding, the Council commences the formal process of obtaining the necessary Council approvals to award grants or procure and award contracts. If the value of the proposed award exceeds certain thresholds, then this process includes obtaining Cabinet approval to commence procurement/award. Where Cabinet approval is required, the timeframe from a proposal being initially discussed to the end of the procurement cycle often takes several months depending upon timing of Opportunity Area Board meetings and Cabinet meetings.
- 4.6 This report asks Cabinet to note the rigorous process under which funding proposals are formulated, scrutinised and agreed prior to requesting Cabinet approval. It is seeking agreement for a timely decision-making process within the constraints of the short lifespan of the Opportunity Area programme, by delegating decision making to the Strategic Director of People Services, the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the relevant cabinet member in respect of commencing procurement processes and the award of both grants and contracts. Notwithstanding this delegation, Officers would ensure full compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure rules.
- 4.7 Where the Opportunity Areas Board and the DfE have recommended that a contract award process should be commenced in respect of a specified contract, to delegate authority to commence such tendering process to the Strategic Director for People Services in consultation with the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the relevant Cabinet Member for Children and Young People.
- 4.8 It is recommended to approve the acceptance of the Opportunity Area Grant for Derby for an additional grant of up to £1.369m.

- 4.9 It is recommended to approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Peoples Services in consultation with the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the relevant Cabinet Member for Children and Young People for the spending of Opportunity Area funds through grants and contracts.
- 4.10 **Ageing well bid of £0.780m**
The Council has bid for and secured £0.780m from the Ageing Well Programme Board, hosted by Derbyshire & Derby Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), for Ageing Well Programme funding, to provide the Adult Social Care element of the NHS's Urgent Community Response in Derby.
- This is to fund the proposed Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team (RIIHT). The team will deliver step up pre front door services with core elements including reablement and occupational therapy alongside Carelink/assistive technology support. The RIIHT team will work alongside the Council's existing Home First service and Derbyshire Community Health Service's established rapid response service under the umbrella of Derby City Urgent Community Response.
- 4.11 The proposal will provide the resources to deliver a virtual single integrated pathway to manage demand from community, acute and primary care with key staff co-located to jointly triage to the most appropriate response to urgent need for housebound patients in Derby. The Council will establish a responsive 'gateway' for the Adult care services response to urgent demand for health or care for housebound patients. The response will adopt an asset/strength-based approach to ensure the best possible outcome for customers i.e. building on a person's own skills, abilities, and existing networks rather than creating a dependency on the NHS or the Council wherever possible.
- 4.12 A key principle of the RIIHT service will be that no new urgent domiciliary care packages will be commenced without intervention from the team and that any onward care needed will benefit from an Occupational Therapy led assessment.
- 4.13 Adopting these key principles will deliver benefits both to the Council and for the NHS:
- Further improved "Demand management" at the point someone is known to us
 - Maximising existing resources in Derby Direct, Adult Social Care and the Voluntary Hub by working together
 - Tailoring and reducing any ongoing care package needed
 - Preventing expenditure through early intervention, signposting, and avoiding hospital admissions.
- 4.14 A programme manager has been appointed for a fixed term funded by Ageing Well to produce a detailed project plan to enable the service to be delivered by the target date of March 2022.
- 4.15 Future years allocations are expected for this funding in line with the Ageing Well Programme funding as part of the NHS Forward Plan 2022/25 for the purpose of delivering the Adults Social Care element of NHS's Urgent Community Response. Cabinet are asked to approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to bid for, accept and allocate future Ageing Well.

- 4.16 It is recommended to note a bid to The Ageing Well Programme Board for £0.780m, hosted by Derbyshire & Derby CCG, for Ageing Well Programme funding, to provide the Adult Social Care element of the NHS's Urgent Community Response in Derby.
- 4.17 It is recommended to delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing to agree acceptable terms, as appropriate, and accept the Ageing Well Programme funding, following the successful bid.
- 4.18 It is recommended to approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to allocate the 2021/22 Ageing Well Programme funding of £0.780m in line with Derby & Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group terms outlined.
- 4.19 It is recommended to approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to bid for, accept and allocate future Ageing Well Programme funding as part of the NHS Forward Plan 2022/25 for the purpose of delivering the Adults Social Care element of NHS's Urgent Community Response.
- 4.20 **1 Abbey Yard – declaration as surplus asset**
1 Abbey Yard is a small residential property which previously formed part of the Council's portfolio of service and secure tenancies but has recently become vacant following the death of the tenant.
- 4.21 The property was initially valued within the delegated limit of £0.249m however, demand for this type of property has since increased therefore increasing values and pushing it above the delegated level. Cabinet approval is therefore now required to declare the property surplus.
- 4.22 The Council has considered all options in relation to 1 Abbey Yard, given the size and the nature and location of the property, these include:
- a) Retaining the property in the General Fund and re-let for residential purposes
 - b) Transferring the property to the Housing Revenue Account for social housing
 - c) Offer for sale on the open market in existing use
 - d) Retain for use by the Parks Service
 - e) Creation of an educational centre or museum for use in connection with the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site
 - f) Offer to the long lease-holder of the adjacent Stable Block and Bakehouse

Of these options, the one which meets most of the key objectives is to offer the property for sale on the open market.

- 4.23 It is recommended to approve 1 Abbey Yard, Darley Abbey, Derby DE22 1DS as surplus to the Council's requirements

4.24 It is recommended to approve the delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Finance, Assets and Digital, to agree the terms for the disposal of the property.

4.25 **Household Support Fund**

The Council has been awarded a Household Support Fund of £2.224m which has been made available to all County Council's and Unitary Authorities to support those most in need this winter with food, energy and water bills. It can also be used to support households with essential costs related to those items and with wider essential costs.

4.26 The proposals for use of the Grant are described below:

- To allocate vouchers to all schools in Derby based on the numbers of pupils eligible for Housing Benefit related Free School Meals for the term breaks between October 2021 and March 2022. The value of the voucher will be equivalent to £3 per day per child for each day.
- Funding will be used to provide a financial contribution to the cost of energy, water, and other related essentials, in the form of a one-off voucher for vulnerable households. Partner organisations and Council services will be able to refer vulnerable households for this support, and an online application for residents to apply will also be available.
- The remainder of the funding will be granted to support local schemes that already help vulnerable households. The money will be granted to increase the reach of that support and will be managed and allocated by Community Action Derby (CAD).

4.27 The following table details how the grant funding will be used:

Element	Amount £m	Outcomes	Lead Partner
Free School meals -voucher scheme	0.750m	250,000 meals	Schools
Support payment (referrals & applications) – voucher scheme	1.404m	7,800 households	Referrers & residents
Supporting local schemes – grant scheme	£0.070m		Community Action Derby
Total	£2.224m		

4.28 The Household Support Fund will be delivered working in partnership with services and organisations across the city.

4.29 It is recommended to approve the acceptance of funding of £2.224m for Household Support.

4.30 A procurement compliant contract will be put in place to support the delivery of the voucher scheme for this immediate funding and for any potential future funding should it be received. Therefore, it is recommended that a procurement process is commenced and awarded to a suitable provider for a period of 1 year with the option to extend for a further 1 year, subject to receipt of further funding. The annual contract value is £3.5m, with a potential maximum contract value of up to £7m.

- 4.31 It is recommended to approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director for People Services in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Skills, to award grants to the Voluntary Sector in Derby via Community Action Derby .
- 4.32 **Ravensdale Decant Costs**
Following the fire at Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School on 5 October 2020, revenue costs will be incurred during the temporary decanting period whilst the replacement school building works are underway. The costs cover the replacement of equipment and supplies, pupil transport to the different teaching bases for pupils who would not be able to travel there otherwise, removal costs, and costs incurred by the host schools in accommodating the Ravensdale pupils and staff.
- 4.33 These indicative revenue decanting costs, currently estimated at £0.273m, have been shared with the Council's Insurers, who have provided in principle agreement to cover the costs incurred. The Council is continuing to work closely with its insurer, as these costs are finalised, to ensure all costs incurred are approved and included within the final insurance settlement.
- 4.34 Council Cabinet approval has already been given to hold insurance settlement monies in a Ravensdale Fire insurance reserve and apply to fund approved costs. Approval is sought to fund indicative decanting costs of £0.273m from the Ravensdale insurance reserve, and delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the relevant cabinet member, to approve the funding of any variance in final decanting costs in line with the final agreed decanting insurance settlement.
- 4.35 It is recommended to approve the use of the Ravensdale Insurance Reserve to fund indicative revenue decanting costs agreed in principle with the Council's insurers of £0.273m.
- 4.36 It is recommended to approve the delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the relevant cabinet member, to approve the funding of any variance in final decanting costs above the indicative estimate of £0.273m from the Ravensdale insurance reserve, in line with the final agreed decanting insurance settlement.
- 4.37 **Holiday Activities and Food Programme – (HAF)**
The HAF Programme aims to provide healthy food and enriching activities to children who are in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM). Funding has covered 1 week at Easter, 4 weeks in the summer and a proposed 4 days during Christmas 2021. The funding from the DfE is to coordinate this free holiday provision.
- 4.38 There has been a multi-agency steering group in the design and implementation of the HAF programme. The proposed plan is to continue to use Community Action Derby - CAD to administer, fund and liaise with delivery partners to ensure access to holiday activities and food support for children who are eligible for free school meals.

- 4.39 An updated grant determination letter provided by DfE in July 2021 outlining Derby has allocated a further £0.126m of contingency funding to develop the Winter HAF provision. This funding has been made available to Derby City Council to enable local groups to provide holiday activities including food to children eligible for free school meals in Derby.
- 4.40 In January 2021, Cabinet agreed to implement a support package to ensure access to food support for children at risk of food poverty. The DfE, HAF programme, was at the centre of the approach. The design of the programme is to ensure that a meal a day is provided for children eligible for FSM and who attend provision on designated days over the Easter, summer and Christmas school holidays. This offer also includes activities to engage children and young people.
- 4.41 The first element of the HAF programme was delivered over Easter 2021. This was a combination of virtual and face to face activities due to Covid restrictions. This was deemed to be a success.

The second element of HAF funding was for 4 weeks in the summer 2021. The DfE funding for HAF was insufficient for additional SEND needs and vulnerable children. Derby mitigated this with utilising the funding from the Covid Summer grant and called it the 'Derby Summer Promise' rather than HAF. The Derby Summer Promise, predominately a face-to-face provision, concluded on 2nd September 2021 and was deemed a success.

A visit from a DfE representative took place on 24th August 2021 and on 30th September 2021 a Derby City Council representative and CAD delivered a seminar for DfE and Childcare works to 70 Local Authorities based on the success of the Derby Summer Promise delivery model.

- 4.42 The Government established a £220 million Holiday Activities and Food programme to provide enriching activities and healthy meals for disadvantaged children in the Easter, summer and Christmas holidays in 2021.

School holidays can be pressure points for some families because of increased costs (such as food and childcare) and reduced incomes. For some children this can lead to a holiday experience gap - with children from disadvantaged families less likely to access organised out-of-school activities; more likely to experience 'unhealthy holidays' in terms of nutrition and physical health; and more likely to experience social isolation. We know that returning to school in poor physical and mental condition can have a detrimental impact on children's mental and physical wellbeing, as well as their educational attainment.

- 4.43 Derby was involved in the Summer Evaluation process facilitated by Ecorys on behalf of the DfE and praised for their work supporting children and families over Easter and Summer.
- 4.44 Provision for children experiencing hunger in the school holidays can be inconsistent across Wards of the city and largely run by local charities and volunteers. This funding represents a positive opportunity for all children eligible for FSM to partake in enriching activities during 4 days of the Winter holiday (equating to 16 hours) as well as a nutritional meal a day.

- 4.45 The Winter HAF 2021, administered via CAD, will enable collaborative work with both larger and smaller grass roots community delivery partners and cultural organisations ensuring a much-needed injection of support to an industry impacted by Covid-19. This programme will form part of Derby City Councils after lock-down impact work with more isolated children and organisations.
- 4.46 It is recommended to note the acceptance of a DfE contingency grant of £0.126m for the HAF Programme Grant 2021 for the Winter Programme.
- 4.47 It is recommended to agree that CAD will continue to administer, fund and liaise with delivery partners to ensure access to holiday, activities and food support for children at eligible for free school meals and approve the award of a grant of up to £0.485m to CAD.
- 4.48 **DSG**
At their meeting of the 12th February 2020 Council Cabinet, with full approval of Schools Forum, approved a 0.5% top slice of the Schools Block of £947,000 and to embark on a transformation programme for the High Needs Block; as part of this programme Impower, a specialist consultancy agency, were appointed to support the development and delivery of the changes necessary to transform system wide changes necessary within the SEND system in Derby. Impower have a track record of delivery in a number of Councils in the area of SEND and High Needs.
- 4.49 Nationally, delivery of the SEND reforms has proved to be a significant challenge with many Council's experiencing significant DSG deficits, national demands for assessment of Education and Health Care Plans (EHCPs) which have increased by 70% in the last 12 months alone. Despite the financial position in Derby being more favourable with DSG reserves intact at the end of the 2020 21 financial year it was fully recognized that an improvement journey was necessary to ensure that good quality outcomes for children and their families were met and that the sector was financially sustainable within the funding envelope provided through the ringfenced Dedicated Support grant.
- 4.50 To deliver this improvement journey approved by Council Cabinet in February 2020 it is recommended that Impower are now engaged with and a contract awarded to the value of £640,000. Impower bring the tools, expertise, experience and capacity that Derby requires to support this major change programme at the pace required, and a detailed implementation plan has been developed to take the work forward. At the meeting of the Schools Forum on 12.10.21 there was unanimous agreement that this work should be done and to be funded from the DSG reserves.
- 4.51 The remainder of the funding will be used to provide much needed additional capacity internally and from the wider sector to ensure a successful delivery of the transformation programme.
- 4.52 It is recommended to approve the use of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) reserve up to a maximum value of £930,000 to complete the High Needs Transformation Programme.

- 4.53 It is recommended to approve the award of a contract to Impower for £640,000 (to be funded from DSG reserves as referred to in paragraph [A] above) as part of the necessary engagement of external specialists to support the delivery of the High Needs Transformation Programme

Public/Stakeholder engagement

- 5.1 **Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team** - A Urgent Community Response (UCR) steering group was established to lead on planning which included leads from:
- Home First
 - Public Health Intelligence
 - Adult Social Care teams
 - Derby Direct
 - DCHS
 - Ageing Well
 - Acute Trust Discharge Assessment Unit

The steering group produced the vision of how organisations would work together to develop and deliver UCR in Derby and secured funding for programme support.

- 5.2 Developing UCR has involved dialogue with stakeholders in shaping the service:
- Demand Board
 - UCR PLACE Alliance and linking to Primary Care Networks
 - Acute Home Visiting Service leads
 - PLACE Board
 - Derby City Care Pathways Group
 - Frailty Group, Royal Derby Hospital
 - DHU/111 & Directory of Services leads
 - EMAS

A communications strategy is being developed within programme planning to disseminate information to stakeholders at relevant points in the planning process. Communications support is also available from Ageing Well linking in with UCR planning County wide.

- 5.3 **1 Abbey Yard** - The Ward Members have been advised of the proposed option in respect of this property and have raised no objections to this proposal.
- 5.4 **Household Support Fund** - The scheme is based on recent schemes, where schools, Council services and partner organisations have collaborated on the scheme design.
- 5.5 **Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School temporary decanting costs** - The temporary decanting arrangements for children from the Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School are being agreed in consultation with the school and the Council's insurers.
- 5.6 **Holiday Activities and Food Programme** - Engagement has taken place with Community Action Derby, Schools and Food4Thought Alliance.

Other Options

- 6.1 **Opportunity Areas** - Revert to Cabinet decision making route for allocating the monies. However this will cause delays in making decisions for this time limited programme.
- 6.2 **Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team** - Doing nothing: Should the Council chose not to accept the funding; it would not be able to contribute to the development of the NHS's Community Urgent Response. The main impact for the Council is the risk that demand for urgent support from the NHS will come to the council in an uncoordinated and unmanaged way, which is likely to impact on our ability to respond and could incur increased costs in the resulting care package.
- 6.3 **Household Support Fund** - Utilising data from the DWP to identify Universal Credit claimants has been explored, but the limited amount of data than can be used means this approach is not feasible.
- 6.4 **Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School temporary decanting costs** - It was not possible for the children to remain on the site of the Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School following the fire and all feasible temporary decant options have been explored.
- 6.5 **Holiday Activities and Food Programme** - The Council could run the administration of the HAF programme itself, running a grant competition to allocate funding to partners and to schools. However, this is not considered a viable option given the timescales available; it is considered that CAD are better placed to ensure the distribution of HAF monies to partners in time for the winter holidays. Furthermore, the Council considered working with schools to deliver the HAF programme but schools do not currently have the capacity to deliver this additional programme. We would like to capitalise on the success of the Derby Summer Promise.

Financial and value for money issues

- 7.1 **Opportunity Areas** - None directly arising from the report, all grant awards and procurement activity will be funded from within Opportunity Areas grant allocation.
- 7.2 **Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team** -The Ageing Well programme is nationally funded by the NHS to develop community services with an underspend in Derbyshire in this financial year. Home First has been successful in its bid to the Ageing Well Board to fund the proposed for the RIIHT team in 2021-22 with the potential for further recurrent funding to 2025. The funding allocated is £0.7798m.
- 7.3 The funding will enable us to meet the projected demand assumptions of 3 referrals per day, 1,096 per annum using an enablement/reablement, multi-skilled team with roles and responsibilities to meet a diverse and wide range of needs. The scope would include:
 - A 24/7 service that is able to meet the 2 hours/2 day response targets
 - Participating in a joint triage with the NHS
 - A dedicated RIIHT team with the following skill mix and hybrid roles.

- 7.4 **1 Abbey Yard** - The sale of the property will enable a capital receipt to be generated and all associated costs and liabilities from holding the property vacant will be relinquished.
- 7.5 **Household Support Fund** - The funding is provided by the DWP with clear directions for use, with a requirement on the local authority to report to the DWP how that funding has been distributed.
- 7.6 **Holiday Activities and Food Programme** - The DfE Grant of £1.195m and the additional £0.126m of contingency funding requires no additional or ongoing revenue costs once the funding ends. Each funding amount is subject to DfE approval.

Legal implications

- 8.1 **Opportunity Areas** - None directly arising from the Report. All contract and grant award processes will be undertaken in accordance with the Council's Contract and Financial Procedure Rules, with support from Legal and Procurement Services.
- 8.2 **1 Abbey Yard** - In accordance with section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972, local authorities are obliged to obtain best price upon the disposal of their assets. Disposal on the open market will ensure that this requirement has been met.
- 8.3 **Household Support Fund** - The Household Support Fund provides details of the intended use of the funding within the Grant Determination letter, which the proposed scheme will adopt. All contract and grant award processes will be undertaken in accordance with the Council's Contract and Financial Procedure Rules, with support from Legal and Procurement Services.
- 8.4 **Holiday Activities and Food Programme** - The Council will enter into a grant funding agreement with CAD in relation to the HAF monies. The grant funding agreement will be on the Council's standard grant funding terms. Given the value of the grant award this is a key decision and therefore requires Cabinet Approval.

Climate implications

- 9.1 **Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team** – As a mobile rapid response team there will be reliance on cars, but every effort will be made to promote the use of electric or hybrid vehicles wherever possible.
- 9.2 **1 Abbey Yard** - Unknown, but it is expected that a purchaser will explore the potential for improving the energy efficiency of the property

Equalities

- 10.1 Equality Impact Assessments will be completed as required.

Other significant implications:

- 11.1 **Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team** – Requirement for statutory reporting to the Community Services Data Set as outlined in 'Urgent Community Response – two hour and two-day response standards' (NHS England & NHS Improvement).
- 11.2 **Household Support Fund** - We will provide an assisted service to those residents who apply, who do not have access to the appropriate technology or lack the confidence or skills to make an online application.

- 11.3 **Holiday Activities and Food Programme** - The DfE and Childcare works are reviewing whether there will be a continuation of HAF funding into 2022/2023. This is subject to government approval.

This report has been approved by the following people:

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