## RECORDABLE DECISION TAKEN BY THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

## CONTRACT FOR Camden and Islington HIV Support Service

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Date of decision	Decision taken	Reasons for decision	Options considered	Any conflict of interest declared by an Executive member consulted	Details of any dispensation granted to the member by the Chief Executive
28 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Award contract for Camden and Islington HIV Support Service.	By awarding to Living Well and their respective sub contract suppliers, we would ensure continuity and improvement of a HIV Support Service in both Camden and Islington. The suppliers has a good track record and has delivered value for money and a good quality service. Having multiple suppliers delivering the service under 1	Option 1 Decommissioning  This option would entail letting the current contracts expire, with no alternative offer for residents from 1 April 2022. We would risk making a workforce redundant at a time of economic uncertainty due to the current pandemic. There would also be a risk of staff taking up employment elsewhere prior to the end of the contract, which could possibly mean the service will have to terminate early due to lack of staffing.  Additionally, this may cause concern among	N/A	N/A

umbrella will improve the delivery of HIV support Services for Islington and Camden residents diagnosed with and effected by HIV.

people with HIV and may attract political interest. Such considerations will need careful planning and consultation.

## Option 2 Insourcing

It might be possible to insource however this may cause concern among people with HIV and may attract political interest due to loss of specialist knowledge within the HIV field.

This option could be detrimental to support services which are designed, delivered and received by people living with HIV. These services are delivered in a safe and nurturing environment, in large part by local people, and insourcing will lose this community based specialism.

## Option 3 Re-procurement

This option would require a full tender process to begin in Summer 2021.

We are open to various models of delivery and will develop this further with feedback from service users and providers.

If there is no interest from the market, we will seek a dialogue directly with the incumbent providers in accordance with regulation 32.2(a) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 "where no tenders, no suitable tenders, no requests to participate or no suitable requests to participate have been submitted in response to an open procedure or a restricted procedure".

providers are interested in bidding, we will procure the service by competitive tender with an element of dialogue with potential providers.
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