
Supporting People Commissioning Board

27 February 2007

Present: John Roog (Chair), Garath Symonds (CYPS), Simon Harding (ECC), Ann Skinner (SP), Wayne Cooper (SP) and Lou Rossati (SP)

Apologies: Ruth Vincent (ACS), Mary Lynch (Housing), Denis O'Rourke (PCT), Ian Jackson (Lambeth First), Sally Rance

Action Log			
	Action	Officer	Date
1.	Seek approval to SSC proposals from members not present at the meeting	WC	09/03/07
2.	Seek approval to contract termination proposals from members not present at the meeting	WC	09/03/07
3.	Seek approval to Annual Plan approach from members not present at the meeting	MB	16/03/07
4.	Correct error on p. 15 of Annual Plan	MB	31/03/07
5.	Seek approval to Individual Budgets Pilot approach from members not present at the meeting	MB	09/03/07
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1. Chair			
In the absence of Ruth Vincent, John Roog took the Chair.			
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2. Minutes and matters arising			
Minutes were agreed as accurate. Matters arising: Item 4: Keyring scheme: Need an update from R Hudson re allocation of properties in this scheme. Item 7: SLAM update: AS stated that SP will be issuing 12 month notice to SLAM from the 01/04/07 Item 9: 2% inflationary uplift will be mad to SP providers Item 10: AS advised that a draft report on the Sheltered Housing Commission will be taken to the April meeting.			
3. LAA Commissioning Project Update			
LR presented an update paper. NB: error in first paragraph, line 4: "commissioning" should read "communications". LSP Executive approved the project approach. Two key pieces of work required: Business Transformation team undertaking a scoping exercise for existing governance arrangements (by end March) and a team of finance officers will undertake the exercise to drill down into the LAA finances (by September for pooled funds and stretch targets). AS and LR meeting with key people and groups over the next month to consult on the membership and constitution of the Strategic Commissioning Board and the block commissioning groups.			
4. Steady State Contracts (SSC)			
WC presented a report on Steady State Contracts. A Waiver Request/ and a Delegated Officers report – "Waiver to tender SP steady state contracts form" was also presented. A waiver document to extend existing contracts to the steady state phase was presented for approval. The reasoning for this document is to ensure that SP services need not be subject to competitive tender at this			

<p>stage, due to the need for stability on the sector and to allow opportunities for future tendering under broader LAA objectives.</p> <p>As a grant condition all interim SP contracts, either have to moved to steady state status or termination notice issued before the 31/03/07.</p> <p>In June 2006 the CB agreed £10m worth of contracts to progress to steady state status. The current report recommended 124 services with a value of £6.7m be moved to steady state. These services are now being recommended for SSC following numerous reasons around strategic relevance, value for money and Mental Health commissioning discussions being remedied. All contract end dates are streamlined to allow for strategic commissioning and procurement per client sector.</p> <p>Report to be presented to DCB – 27/03/07 (special approval before this being sought)</p> <p>Report to be presented to SCB – 28/03/07</p> <p>The proposal was AGREED. As the meeting was inquorate, the views of those members not present need to be sought.</p>	WC	09/03/07
5. Contract Terminations		
<p>WC presented a list of contact terminations, together with reasons for termination. Six providers would be issued with contract terminations. Some of the services will be picked up by the floating support contract.</p> <p>The contracts terminated do not have a detrimental impact on any of the equalities groups. Benefits to these groups may accrue from re-investment of the savings generated.</p> <p>SH asked whether there would be any reputational issues. AS advised that there would not, as these contract terminations had been managed with the providers over a period of time, as part of the commissioning process.</p> <p>GS asked about any impact on young people. AS advised that the Lord Clyde contract affected young people but that the funding had been set aside for a future project. Currently DePaul trust have the contract, however it need to be formally tendered.</p> <p>The proposal was AGREED. As the meeting was inquorate, the views of those members not present need to be sought.</p>	WC	09/03/07
6. Annual Plan 2007-8		
<p>AS presented the draft Annual Plan. She drew attention to the inclusion of sections on risk factors around future contract monitoring framework and scoring systems that determines the frequency and type of contract monitoring that will occur in relation to each contract based on an assessment of risk and performance achieved against agreed outcomes. AS highlighted the improvements in QAF results and performance data and general improvement trend. She advised that, with regard to the Outcomes Framework, CLG are urging other authorities to adopt the Lambeth model.</p> <p>AS advised that this version of the Annual Plan was a draft and was being presented to gain CB agreement to the approach being taken in the Plan. A final draft, with detailed financial information, would be presented to the April Board.</p> <p>Attention was drawn to a typographical error on p.15: figures re. SO4 should be 'Mar 07', not 'Dec. 06'.</p> <p>The approach was AGREED. As the meeting was inquorate, the views of those members not present need to be sought.</p>	MB MB	April Board 30/03/07
7. Finance Update		

<p>WC advised that there was no significant changes from the papers presented at the previous CB. The current year's savings have been achieved and previous year's savings were being invested in new tenders. The floating support contract worth £1 million will start in Aug 07. SP will be awarding a 2% inflationary uplift to providers for 07/08. The SP grant for 07/08 has a small increase; however, no inflation has been awarded.</p> <p>There is still no clarity regarding the grant funding for 08/09. Possibility of a 10% reduction to the national pot size. In preparation of this reduction, SP will create a savings plan which will be presented in the annual plan.</p>		
<p>8. Team update</p>		
<p>AS advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Lambeth SP would be featured on the IdeA's "Journey's to Excellence" website, as a best practice example of working with the Third Sector * SP had applied for the CLG's Regional Champions award and a decision was expected in March. * Similarly, notification will be received in March as to whether SP would be shortlisted for an Municipal Journal award. * CLG are encouraging other boroughs to adopt the Lambeth Outcomes Framework – Lambeth is setting the trend. <p>NOTED</p>		
<p>9. Individual Budget Pilot</p>		
<p>JR explained the Individual Budgets concept to the other Board members. WC presented an update report to the Board. SPCB has agreed a maximum of £100k to the In Control pilot for 2007-8. £64k is available immediately and the other £36k will be released by issuing notice to Keyring on their third network scheme and reinvesting the contract value in the pilot.</p> <p>The report outlined issues identified following a meeting to discuss IBs and set out a series of actions required before SP can contribute to the pilot.</p> <p>The likely move to "critical" of LD service users will cause some problems in relation to the planned pilot as it makes it less likely that SP and Social Care have clients in common. SP can not replace existing care funding.</p> <p>CLG aware that IB will be piloted with ALD, however there might need to be a switch to OP.</p> <p>It was hoped that SP could begin contributing to ALD from April 07, however this appears unlikely unless the actions tabled in the paper could be fulfilled.</p> <p>The approach was AGREED. As the meeting was inquorate, the views of those members not present need to be sought.</p>	<p>Michelle Binfield, Fran Pitcher, Bernie Ward</p> <p>MB/WC</p>	<p>31/03/07</p>
<p>11. AOB</p>		
<p>10. Date of next meeting</p>		
<p>13/04/07</p>		