

London Borough of Havering Record of Decision

Disclosures of Interest

Minutes

1. **TITLE:** Allocation of Resources to Deliver Adolescent Safeguarding Programme
2. **DECISION MADE BY:** Cabinet
3. **DECISION:**

For the reasons set out in the report,

Cabinet:

- i. **Approved** the approach outlined in the Report and the request for resources allocated to Children's Services, to enable the development of a multi-disciplinary adolescent safeguarding approach to address serious youth violence and exploitation. This would be the mechanism through which to deliver the actions contained in the Serious Group Violence and Knife Crime strategy relating to children and young people, approved at Cabinet in April 2019.
- ii. **Agreed** £750,000 funding over two calendar years (three financial years) over which time this approach will be fully evaluated and other (external) sources of funding can be explored. Following this, the service will be core funded from an allocation of demographic growth and a permanent budget adjustment to carry this work forward. Refer to financial implications and risks at section four of the report.

4. **REASON FOR DECISION**

As set out in the report

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Whilst Havering remains a London borough with a relatively low rate of crime, the types of crime involving the exploitation of children and young people (youth violence in particular) have increased in recent years. The number of victims of reported serious youth violence in Havering has risen in recent years, to levels similar to neighbouring boroughs of Barking and Dagenham and Redbridge.

The published Ofsted ILACS report (June 2018) contained a recommendation to improve safeguarding practice related to risks present outside the familial setting.

The aim of the multi-disciplinary team is to use business intelligence for earlier identification and intervention for children and families, for children as young as 10 years old. The approach will deliver a trauma-informed practice and look from a "contextual" safeguarding perspective, working across partnership agencies. An additional two specialist youth roles will target interventions for young people at risk, based on data and intelligence. This approach will work with families, not just young people, and include schools, police and health input. Mental health screening in particular will be embedded in the service, to screen for neurodiversity at a younger age than at present.

6. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** ASYV Cabinet June Final amended
ASYV Appendix One
ASYV Appendix Two
ASYV Appendix three
ASYV Appendix four EqHIA for Adol Safeguarding
May 2019 FINAL

1. **TITLE:** Approval of Changes to Havering's Children's Safeguarding Partnership

2. **DECISION MADE BY:** Cabinet

3. **DECISION:**

For the reasons set out in the report,

Cabinet:

- (i) **Approved** the principles and approach to the new safeguarding arrangements and child death reviews as set out in this report
- (ii) **Agreed** to delegate to the Director of Children's Services, after consultation with the Cabinet Member for Education, Children & Families, the responsibility for finalising the plan for the new arrangements by 29th June 2019.
- (iii) **Approved** the arrangements for Independent Scrutiny set out at 3.1 of the report.

4. **REASON FOR DECISION**

The **Children and Social Work Act 2017** received royal assent on 27th April 2017. Section 16E of the Act requires each Local Authority Area to establish local arrangements for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children:

- The safeguarding partners for a local authority area in England must make arrangements for —
 - the safeguarding partners, and
 - any relevant agencies that they consider appropriate, to work together in exercising their functions, so far as the functions are exercised for the purpose of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the area.
- The arrangements must include arrangements for the safeguarding partners to work together to identify and respond to the needs of children in the area.
- In this section "relevant agency", in relation to a local authority area in England, means a person who—
 - is specified in regulations made by the Secretary of State, and
 - exercises functions in that area in relation to children;
- "safeguarding partner", in relation to a local authority area in England, means—
 - the local authority;
 - a clinical commissioning group for an area any part of which falls within the local authority area;
 - the chief officer of police for a police area any part of which falls within the local authority area."

Working Together 2018 guidance states:

- The three safeguarding partners should agree on ways to co-ordinate their safeguarding services; act as a strategic leadership group in supporting and engaging others, and implement local and national learning including from serious child safeguarding incidents
- In order to work together effectively, the safeguarding partners with other local organisations and agencies should develop processes that:
 - facilitate and drive beyond usual institutional agency constraints and boundaries
 - ensure the effective protection of children is founded on practitioners developing lasting and trusting relationships with children and their families

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

The option of maintaining the status quo was considered and was not recommended as each local authority area is legally required to establish and publish new local arrangements.

The other option which could have been considered was preserving the current geographical borough boundary for the new safeguarding arrangements. This has not been pursued due to the clear benefits of working together across a BHR footprint: borough boundaries are becoming less relevant in safeguarding work particularly in relation to adolescents; numerous shared priorities have been identified in the course of partnership working; and a desire to reduce the burden on the public purse resulting from duplication and repeated demands on those agencies that work across more than one local authority area. This proposed safeguarding partnership also aligns well with the Integrated Care Partnership approach.

6. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** CABINET0417. CSP June 2019 Final (004)
EqHIA - Changes to Havering's Children's
Safeguarding Partnership final

1. **TITLE:** Good Growth Fund - Rainham Innovation Hub and Public Realm
improvements Contractual Agreements

2. **DECISION MADE BY:** Cabinet

3. **DECISION:**

Cabinet:

- **Agreed** to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Greater London Authority (GLA) until 31st March 2022 to provide an Innovation Hub designed to boost productivity and skills in Havering and across East London and improve the physical environment of the area for workers, students and visitors, focussing initially on the use of digital technologies in logistics, construction and related sectors. The Grant from the GLA is for £1,631,940.
- **Approved** match funding from the Council be provided to help fund the overall project derived from the value of staff time (£16,200), £800,000 from the London Strategic Investment Pot funding for connectivity in Rainham, £56,000 to be identified from business sponsorship/social value contributions or S106 (and if this is not identified by 2021/22 from the Council's allocated Regeneration and Economic Development revenue budget. Match funding will also be provided by Havering College, Riverside BID and SEGRO at a combined value of £1,049,565.
- **Delegated** authority to the Director of Regeneration Delivery to enter into Delivery

Agreements with SEGRO, Havering College of Further and Higher Education and the London Riverside Business Improvement District to draw down delivery funding for the project of £309,400, £562,800 and £250,000 respectively, to deliver elements of the project and achieve agreed outcomes;

- **Agreed** to provide forward funding to the Riverside BID of £50,000 (capital) in 2019/2020 and £200,000 (capital) in 2020/2021 to enable them to fund the public realm improvements; and,
- **Agreed** a Statement of Intent with Havering College and SEGRO to confirm the partners' intentions to develop and deliver the Innovation Hub and work together to take it forward; and,
- **Noted** that the process of appointing an operator for the Hub will be undertaken on behalf of the partners through the Council's procurement processes.

4. **REASON FOR DECISION**

It was recommended that the Council enter into a Grant Agreement with the GLA because it is required by the GLA as part of the grant process. In order to minimise risk, those elements of the bid that will be delivered by the Council's partners will be agreed with them in Delivery Agreements that mirror the obligations on the Council. The Council will, however, act as the Accountable Body for the entirety of the funding as the grant applicant.

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

If the Council does not enter into the Grant Agreement the project will not be able to proceed.

6. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** CABINET June 19
GGF Grant Agreement_Rainham Innovation Hub
May
EqHIA - GGF

1. **TITLE:**

2. **DECISION MADE BY:**

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4. **REASON FOR DECISION**

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

6. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:**