Decision taken

Made by an Executive Member or Chief Officer



Notice of Decision Made

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Decision maker	David Regan, Director of Public Health
Date of decision	26 March 2020
What is the decision?	To extend the contract for the provision of Support to Female Sex Workers
Reasons for the decision (but excluding any exempt or confidential information)	The contract was due to expire on 31 March 2020. The COVID 19 pandemic is putting pressure on the health system and providers to respond. The need for the provider to respond to COVID 19 will continue for at least 12 months.
Alternatives considered and rejected	It isn't appropriate to tender the service at the present time and divert management time away from responding to this pressure and emergency situation.
Name of Executive Member Consulted	Cllr Bev Craig, Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing
Interests Declared	None
Officer contact details For any further information	Name: Marie Earle, Strategic Commissioning Manager Tel: 07786 177984 Email: m.earle@manchester.gov.uk

Register of Key Decisions

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OR – if not published in the Register of Key Decisions		
Reasons for special urgency such that this was not published in a Register of Key Decisions	The contract expires on 31 March 2020. We wish to provide the provider, MASH (Manchester Action on Street Health), reassurance of continuity of service during a national emergency (COVID 19), and to provide some support for stability for a reasonable period of time. MASH are a small charity delivering valued critical health and support services to a vulnerable client group	

Scrutiny Call In

Call-in deadline	Not applicable
OR – if Exempt from Call-in	
Advice as to how any delay would seriously prejudice the legal or financial position of the Council	Reputational damage at a time of national emergency. The services are public health services and are considered to be critical services

Scrutiny Chair	Cllr Russell – Chair of Resources and Governance
who agreed the urgency	Scrutiny Committee

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