

Operational Executive Decision-Making Form

Operational Decision Record

Publication Date 06/10/22	Decision Reference Number 4743
Decision Title	
Approval of resources to procure a Carecap development work of Liquid Logic	
Decision Value	
£120k over 3 years	
Revenue or Capital Spend?	
Revenue	
Department	
People's Directorate	
Contact Officer (Name, job title, and contact details)	
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Decision Taken	
<p>The decision proposed is that NCC commissions the upgrade of LAS (the adult's module of Liquid Logic) in order to implement the Adults Social Care reforms due to become effective in Oct 2023 and to effectively manage the increase in demand for citizens to approach NCC to commission their care.</p>	
Reasons for Decision and Background Information	
<p>Nottingham City Council is under duty to implement significant Adult Social Care reforms by Oct 2023. This will include implementation of the 'care cap' whereby the government will introduce a new £86,000 cap on the amount anyone in England will need to spend on their personal care, alongside a more generous means-test for local authority financial support. In addition, the upper capital limit (UCL), the point at which people become eligible to receive some financial support from their local authority, will rise to £100,000 from the current £23,250.</p> <p>The impact of these changes is that more citizens are likely to commission their care through the local authority so that their contribution to meeting the cap can be monitored in the nationally prescribed way. In order to deal with these significant changes and increases in demand significant changes are being made to Liquid Logic (our commissioned Social Care Case Management System) by the software provider. This development work of the system comes at a cost of £40k per year to access the new necessary functionality required to effectively manage the changes. These changes are essential for the effective implementation of the reforms and to meeting out best value duty.</p>	

Other Options Considered and why these were rejected

Do not commission the additional functionality required in our existing case management system and build local processes off system – Rejected as this would require significant development work by IT and would not represent the best value solution.

Reasons why this decision is classified as operational

This is a financial commitment of under £150,000
It involves the delivery of a statutory duty within a budget provided by the Government to deliver the care reforms. Funding for operational implementation has been confirmed as 90k in year; funding for future years is still out for consultation but will be in the range of which the mid-point is 861k.

Additional Information

N/A

Decision Maker (Name and Job Title)

Catherine Underwood – Corporate Director for People's



6/10/2022

Scheme of Delegation Reference Number

Authority delegated by Executive Board 20 July 2021

Date Decision Taken

4th Oct 2022