

Decision under Delegated Powers

Officer Requesting Decision

Sport and Active Recreation Manager

Officer Making the Decision

Head of Neighbourhood Services

Recommendation

That authority is given for the Head of Neighbourhood Services to enter into a Collaboration agreement with Leicestershire County Council, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council and North West Leicestershire District Council to deliver the Council's element of the FAME fall prevention research project in partnership with key organisations across the borough from 1st January 2016 - 31st December 2016.

Reason

To draw down the monies allocated to Charnwood from Leicestershire County Council Public Health and to enable the Council to deliver 5 FAME falls prevention programme's as agreed with Leicestershire County Council Public Health Team.

Authority for Decision

In accordance with the scheme of delegations authority is given to the Chief Executive, Strategic Directors and Heads of Service to submit bids for and enter into agreements for grants and other funding sources up to a value of £200,000 per annum.

Decision and Date

 29/7/16

Background

Leicestershire County Council has offered the funding to each Local Authority within the geographical area of Leicestershire County Council in exchange for the delivery of a Falls Prevention Management Exercise Programme.

Since January 2016, Leicestershire County Council Public Health, Leicester-Shire and Rutland Sport and local authorities have been working on developing a Falls Prevention Research Project and to secure resources From Nottingham University who received funding from CLAHRC to deliver a FALLS Prevention research

project.. The main remit of CLAHRC is to improve patient outcomes by conducting research of local relevance and international quality. Falls prevention exercise has been proven to be extremely effective in reducing falls It plays an important role in the falls care pathway, both in terms of primary and secondary prevention, and can significantly contribute to reducing the financial burden on the NHS and social care by preventing fractures and avoidable hospital admissions.

Funding has been allocated to local authorities based on the size of the adult population aged 65+.In Charnwood there are 31,400 adults aged 65 and over which is the highest in the county at 23.43% of the total population and therefore Charnwood were allocated the largest amount of funding to deliver 5 programmes.

During the discussions on how the delivery of the FAME Falls Prevention Programme would be delivered Charnwood Borough Council, Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council and North West Leicestershire District Council agreed that they would work collaboratively on the delivery of the Falls Prevention Programme under the West Leicestershire Clinical Commissioning Group Footprint. It was agreed, that the co-ordination across the 3 districts would be overseen by North West Leicestershire District Council who would work with each local authority to ensure the delivery of the scheme and the completion of data collection for each of the individual programmes.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications to Charnwood Borough Council funding for this project is externally funded and Council will receive £20,802 for the delivery of 5 sessions .

Staffing Implications

There are no staffing implications for the delivery of the Falls prevention programme as this will be delivered by external self - employed fitness instructors and funded by the money allocated by Leicestershire County Council Public Health to Charnwood Borough Council.

Risk Management

| Risk Identified | Likelihood | Impact | Risk Management Actions Planned |
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| Failure to deliver the falls prevention programme would impact on the outcomes of the research being undertaken as part of the project | Low | High | Delivery of FALLS prevention programme dependent on external funding. |

Key Decision

No