DECISION SESSION - EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH

THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2017

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Decision Session of the Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Health held on Thursday, 16 November 2017. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Fiona Young.

4. NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY / VARENICLINE

Resolved: (i)

(i) That Option 2 be approved and Varenicline be included in the council's Yorwellbeing Service support to stop smoking offer, with a hardship fund provided to cover the first 2 weeks of Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) or the first 4 weeks of Varenicline for those in financial hardship and the complete costs of 12 weeks' NRT continuing to be covered for pregnant women accessing the service.

Reason:

To enable the service to support more people to stop smoking, thereby improving the health of York's resident population, within the existing financial envelope.

(ii) That an update report on the progress of the stop smoking support service, within the broader context of the work of Yorwellbeing overall and of national policies in relation to tobacco and health, be brought back to the Executive Member in six months' time.

Reason:

In order to monitor the progress of the service and to address the issues raised in the motion on Access to NHS Services approved at Council on 15 December 2016 and at the subsequent meetings of the Health and Adult Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee and the Health, Housing and Adult Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee held on 29 March 2017 and 20 June 2017 respectively.