

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: 15 JANUARY 2013
title: HEALTHY LIFESTYLE FUNDING 2013/14
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1 PURPOSE

1.1 To advise members that Healthy Lifestyle funding for the financial year 2012-14 has been confirmed.

1.2 Relevance to the Council Ambitions and Priorities:

- **Corporate Priorities:**

- to make people's lives safer and healthier;
- to be a well-managed Council, providing efficient services based on identified customer needs.

- **Corporate Objectives:**

- to improve the health of people living and working in the area;

2 TRANSITION AND CONTINUATION OF CONTRACTS

2.1 Ribble Valley Borough Council has been providing Healthy Lifestyle services for 15 years. Services have been commissioned through NHS East Lancashire (PCT) on a contractual basis, renewed annually. Implementation of the new Health and Social Care Act requires PCTs to transfer clinical service contracts to future commissioning organisations, which will take place from April 2013.

There are two elements to our current contract:

- **Healthy Lifestyle service provision**
- including Exercise Referral, Weight Management and Health Walks
- **Cardiac Rehabilitation**

2.2 We have just received notification that our service will continue to be commissioned on the following basis:

- From April 2013, Lancashire County Council will commission the Healthy Lifestyle element of our contract based on our current terms and conditions.
- East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) will commission the Cardiac Rehabilitation element under the same terms and conditions. The contracts will be re-issued for twelve months from April 2013 and, during this time, both LCC and East Lancashire CCG will be undertaking a detailed review of all contracts.

2.3 This is good news, as RVBC will receive £91,168 for services over the twelve month period. However, we will have to rise to the challenge and prove that we can deliver a quality and efficient service within this budget, if funding is to continue past April 2014.

4 RISK ASSESSMENT

The approval of this report may have the following implication:

- Resources – none
- Technical, Environmental & Legal – none
- Political – none identified
- Reputation - The continued funding will maintain the reputation of the Council
- Equality & Diversity – none identified

5 CONCLUSION

The Healthy Lifestyle Team is able to continue providing this valued service for the next financial year.

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