

**Oldham Borough Council
Record of Decision**



1. **TITLE:** Care at Home – Contract Extension
2. **SERVICE AREA:** Adult Social Care Services
3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**
To extend a contract prior to its conclusion, to allow for the service to continue seamlessly.
4. **DECISION MADE BY:** Chief Executive
5. **DECISION:**
The Chief Executive, using her delegated powers, be authorised to extend the contracts in place for Commissioned Care at Home (CAH) and Extra Care Housing (ECH) services for 9 months (31st March 2027).
6. **REASON FOR DECISION**
A decision is being sought under the authorisation contained in Section 9C – Delegations to Specific Officers of Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions) of the Council Constitution for the Chief Executive to take any emergency decisions in respect of the Council's executive functions which cannot be delayed until the next Cabinet meeting.
7. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**
The services collectively support a significant number of residents with statutory care needs. Care at Home currently delivers over 12.5k hours per week to about 980 Oldham residents. Extra Care Housing provides >£2k hours per week to about 200 residents per week. Not having up to date contracted provision in place, places the council, providers and people in receipt of services at risk. Therefore no alternatives were considered.
8. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED**
Consultation with all existing providers delivering Care at Home, Extra Care and Night Care services on 4th June 2026. Each provider has confirmed their agreement to the proposed 9-month extension, recognising the importance of ensuring continuity of care and supporting a safe mobilisation period for any new contractual arrangements. Engagement has also taken place with key partners, including health colleagues, in recognition that this is a joint framework supporting individuals in receipt of dual-funded packages, including Section 117 aftercare and Continuing Healthcare (CHC). In addition, engagement with people who receive services, alongside their families and carers, has been undertaken to ensure their views and experiences inform the approach. The wider provider market has been informed of the revised contract start date of 1st April 2027, following the decision to abandon the previous tender. Providers have been made aware that the extension is required to maintain service stability while the procurement, evaluation and mobilisation activities are completed in full.
9. **DOCUMENTS** Not applicable.

CONSIDERED:

DOCUMENT CONSIDERED: 003- Care at Home Emergency Powers Decisions
Cover report.
003-Jun-26 of Directo of Adult Care/ al Care ((SIREI