

**Oldham Borough Council
Record of Decision**



1. **TITLE:** Award of contract for the delivery of a Social Prescribing Service

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Public Health

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To award the contract for the provision of Oldham's Social Prescribing Service and to ensure that Oldham has a high-quality social prescribing offer to support the improvement of the health and wellbeing of the population.

4. **DECISION MADE BY:** Director of Public Health

5. **DECISION:**

RESOLVED - That:

- To approve the award of a contract to Action Together CIO in respect of Oldham's Social Prescribing Service, as detailed in this report, for a term of 6 years from 1 November 2024.
- To enter into a contract with Action Together CIO, as the incumbent provider of the Social Prescribing Service, following the satisfactory completion of Direct Award Process C under the Provider Selection Regime governed by the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, subject to the expiry of the required standstill period and there being no outstanding written representations in respect of the contract award.

6. **REASON FOR DECISION**

Option 1: To cease commissioning the Social Prescribing service

Option 2: To consider alternative compliant routes available to procure the Social Prescribing service via the PSR (Most Suitable Provider Process or Competitive Process).

Option 3: To award and enter into a contract with Action Together CIO as the existing provider of the Social Prescribing Service following the successful completion of PSR Direct Award Process C under the Provider Selection Regime governed by the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, subject to the expiry of the required standstill period and there being no outstanding written representations in respect of the contract award.

7. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Option 1: To cease commissioning the Social Prescribing service

Option 2: To consider alternative compliant routes available to procure the Social Prescribing service via the PSR (Most Suitable Provider Process or Competitive Process).

8. **INTERESTS AND NATURE OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

None

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Not applicable

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** DDR - Social Prescribing Contract Award

