

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR DECISION – ADD2051

Public health support

Executive summary

The GLA's health team is looking to appoint a consultant with public health expertise to:

- Develop the Mayor's Health Inequalities Strategy; and
- Set out recommendations as to how health and health inequalities can systematically be considered across all GLA functions.

The expenditure involved will be up to £45,000 and will be fully funded by Public Health England.

Decision

That the Assistant Director of Health & Communities approves the receipt and expenditure of up to £45,000 to commission a consultant with public health expertise to provide support to the GLA's health team.

AUTHORISING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR/HEAD OF UNIT:

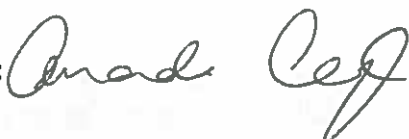
I have reviewed the request and am satisfied it is correct and consistent with the Mayor's plans and priorities.

It has my approval.

Name: Amanda Coyle

Position: Assistant Director of Health & Communities

Signature:



Date: 13 Dec 2016

PART I – NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE

Decision required – supporting report

1. Introduction and background

The GLA wishes to commission a consultant with public health expertise to provide support to the GLA's health team. The total cost will be to a limit of £45,000.

2. Objectives and expected outcomes

There are two areas of work which require support from a consultation with public health expertise: the Mayor's Health Inequalities Strategy and mainstreaming health considerations across all GLA functions. The work will be completed by the end of March 2017.

Health Inequalities Strategy

The consultant will develop the Mayor's Health Inequalities Strategy by:

- Implementing a co-ordinated approach to the engagement of key external stakeholders in strategy development;
- Developing systematic consideration of Health Inequalities in other policy teams within the GLA Group;
- Identifying key areas for joint action across London on the priority areas of: early years, health lifestyles, mental health and asset-based community development;
- Developing an approach to consultation and engagement of Londoners; and
- Commissioning or delivering an integrated impact assessment of the proposed strategy's contents.

Mainstreaming health

The consultation will provide public health expertise to the delivery the Mayor's key manifesto and other commitments in health while taking advantage of external opportunities linked to devolution and the NHS's Sustainability and Transformation Plans. The consultant will set out recommendations as to how health and health inequalities can systematically be considered in all GLA functions.

3. Equality comments

The health team actively considers the impact of its work on health inequalities (including the protected characteristics) and works with a range of other teams within the GLA to help them do the same.

4. Financial comments

- 4.1 Approval is being sought for the receipt and expenditure of up to a maximum of £45,000 for the procurement and commissioning of a consultant with public health expertise to support the GLA's health team. The funding will be provided in full by Public Health England.
- 4.2 The funding from PHE and costs will be allocated to WBS GG.0240.009.
- 4.3 Any changes to this proposal will be subject to the Authority's decision-making process.

Appendices and supporting papers:

None.

Public access to information

Information in this form (Part 1) is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act) and will be made available on the GLA website within one working day of approval.

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Note: This form (Part 1) will either be published within one working day after approval or on the defer date.

Part 1 Deferral:

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? NO

If YES, for what reason:

Until what date: (a date is required if deferring)

Part 2 Confidentiality: Only the facts or advice considered to be exempt from disclosure under the FOI Act should be in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a part 2 form - NO

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:

Drafting officer:

Amanda Coyle has drafted this report in accordance with GLA procedures and confirms that the Finance and -if relevant- Legal teams have commented on this proposal as required, and this decision reflects their comments.

HEAD OF FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE:

I confirm that financial and legal implications have been appropriately considered in the preparation of this report.

Signature:



Date:

12.12.16

