

Finance and Resources

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Health and Social Care Contract Extension Report

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Finance and Resources Committee approve the extension of the Health and Social Care contracts outlined in 4.1.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 This report sets out the current Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership (EHSCP) commissioning activity and how these impact on contractual arrangements including the requirement to waive the requirement of Contract Standing Orders to allow contracts to be extended at the expiry of the current contract duration.
- 2.2 All the services covered in this report are commissioned by Edinburgh Integration Joint Board and procured by the Council.

3. Background

- 3.1 On 6 December 2021 the Scottish Government published “Preparing to Transition Towards a National Care Service for Scotland: SPPN 7/2021”. This Scottish Procurement Policy Note advises public bodies involved in the commissioning of social care services of the actions they can and should take in preparation for the transition to a National Care Service in Scotland. Integration Joint Boards are asked to review strategic commissioning plans and to consider the impact of decisions on resources and the social care market and consider the use of contract modifications or extensions where feasible to enable the collective focus to be on implementation. This review is now in progress and a number of contractual arrangements have been recommended, following consideration by the Health and Social Care Partnership Commissioning, Contracts and Procurement Board, for extension.
- 3.2 This paper sets out, on a service-by-service basis, the proposed contractual arrangements and recommended extensions with supporting rationale. All services in question are commissioned by the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board. Due to the nature of this organisation, the associated contractual arrangements sit with the City of Edinburgh Council.
- 3.3 Systems and processes across commissioning, procurement and contracting teams have been reviewed and amended to ensure that expiring contracts are identified at an earlier stage. This in turn will support improvements in control and, where applicable, that extensions are actioned timeously.

4. Main report

4.1 The contractual arrangements covered by this paper, annual values, contract end dates and recommendations are summarised in the table below:

Contract	Annual Value 2024/25 (£m)	Extension Value 2025/26 (£m)	Extension Value 2026/27 (£m)	Total Extension Value (£m)	Contract End Date	Recommendation - contracts to be extended until
Shared Overnight Support Framework	3.8	3.8	3.8	7.6	30.09.24	30.09.26
Croft an Rìgh - Older People short term accommodation and support	0.01	0.01	£ -	0.02	30.09.24	30.09.25

4.2 These are discussed individually in paragraphs 4.4 to 4.11 below.

4.3 All providers delivering the contracts within this paper have been consulted and are content with the recommended extensions.

Shared Overnight Support Framework

4.4 The Shared Overnight Support Framework provides waking night and sleeping over support for people who live in their own tenancy and may require a care provision throughout the night. The associated contracts in the scope of this report are for those with a learning disability. This provision includes 16 providers, who between them have 43 contracts to deliver shared night-time support to a total of 225 people across 47 locations. Excluding direct payments, the total value of these contracts is £3.8 million; see appendix for detail.

4.5 Work has started on developing a new Working Age Adults Commissioning Framework which will cover arrangements for both place based care and day support opportunities for people with Physical Disability (PD) and Learning Disability (LD); it does not include people with long term Mental Health issues of a functional nature.

4.6 Place based Care, which includes:

- 24-hour support in places registered with the Care Inspectorate as Care Homes;
- 24-hour support in accommodation with linked support (e.g. core and cluster models)
- Support in a person's own home from LD/PD Service Providers (out-with One Edinburgh/ Thrive Contractual arrangements.)

- 4.7 The benefit of developing new contractual arrangements is to cease local spot purchasing which will contribute to the Medium-Term Financial Strategy Programme approved by the Edinburgh Integrated Joint Board on the 18th March 2024. It is initially intended that agreed contractual arrangements will be in place for 10 years, with an option to extend for a further period. This will allow a degree of market stability, long term financial planning and contracting and commissioning resources focusing on quality of service delivery during the lifespan of any contracts awarded.
- 4.8 A PIN notice has been added to Public Contracts Scotland to start this co-production exercise, however it has been advised that it could take up between 18-24 months develop, agree and implement the new framework and therefore approval for a 2 year extension to 30th September 2026, for the current framework is sought.

Croft an Righ - Older People step-down accommodation and support

- 4.9 A contract with Viewpoint Housing Association for a single flat at Croft-an-Righ retirement housing has been in place since October 2018. This adapted temporary accommodation is provided to enable people who have required hospital treatment and rehabilitation to leave hospital while their home is modified/adapted for their return or appropriate accommodation and support services are available to them.
- 4.10 Since 2018 this accommodation has been predominantly used by people who following amputations are now wheel-chair users and would otherwise have remained in hospital for longer than required for medical reasons. Occupancy and usage continue to be monitored, with referral and allocation prioritisation managed by EHSCP management.
- 4.11 It is requested that a further extension to 30th September 2025 be awarded. This will allow ongoing review of demand for such accommodation including a review of the processes in place to consistently predict the requirement for re-housing/major adaptations at an early stage.

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 If the recommendations in this paper are accepted, officers from the Partnership will work with colleagues in Commercial and Procurement Services to make the appropriate contractual arrangements, which take account of the recommendations in the Scottish Government's SPPN.

6. Financial impact

- 6.1 The total value of the contract extensions detailed in this report is £5.38m in financial year 2024/25.
- 6.2 Funding associated with the extension of the contracts will be directed by EIJB to the Council.

7. Stakeholder/Community Impact

- 7.1 Each of the ongoing procurement exercises has been co-produced with service users, providers and other relevant stakeholders.

8. Background reading/external references

[Preparing to Transition towards a National Care Service for Scotland SPPN 7/2021](#)

9. Appendices

- 9.1 Appendix 1 – Shared Overnight Framework

APPENDIX 1

Shared Overnight Framework		2024/25 Contract Value
Ark Housing Association	FA Broadway	£ 167,109.88
Ark Housing Association	FA Hoseasons & Broomhouse	£ 40,847.14
Ark Housing Association	FA Region 3	£ 40,847.14
Ark Housing Association	FA Southouse	£ 167,109.88
Ark Housing Association	FA Quartermile	£ 40,847.14
Autism Initiatives	FA Shandon Road	£ 84,688.10
Autism Initiatives	FA Inverleith	£ 130,641.13
Autism Initiatives	FA Stuart Court	£ 45,953.03
Autism Initiatives	FA Bingham	£ 45,953.03
Autism Initiatives	EL Prestonpans	£ 92,531.49
Autism Initiatives	FA Musselburgh	£ 28,425.23
Autism Initiatives	FA Long Newton	£ 32,660.28
Autism Initiatives	FA Seafield	£ 67,750.48
Blackwood Housing Association	Shared Night Cover	£ 555,478.06
Community Integrated Care	FA Wauchope	£ 159,591.65
Community Integrated Care	FA Ferniehill	£ 79,795.82
Community Integrated Care	FA New Howdenhall	£ 45,953.03
Community Integrated Care	FA Hyvots	£ 45,953.03
Community Integrated Care	FA Tytler	£ 125,748.86
Community Integrated Care	FA Moredun	£ 45,953.03
Crossreach	FA Threshold	£ 79,815.38
L'Arche	FA Creelha	£ 45,953.03
L'Arche	FA David's House (was Restalrig)	£ 117,769.27
L'Arche	FA Skein	£ 45,953.03
Leonard Cheshire	FA Stenhouse	£ 103,048.11
Mears Care	FA Rathbone Place	£ 45,953.03
Mears Care	FA Ratho	£ 35,913.49
Real Life Options -	Longstone (Base C&S)	£ 143,653.98
Redcroft Care Services (LIN Life Is Normal)	FA Lundie House	£ 40,847.14
Redwoods Caring Foundation -	FA Paisley Drive	£ 45,953.03
Richmond Fellowship	FA St Clair Street	£ 162,814.40
Richmond Fellowship	FA Nicholfield Service	£ 162,814.40
Share	FA Maude Close Kirkliston	£ 45,953.03
Share	FA Niddrie Farm Grove & Dunlaw Wynd	£ 259,502.37
Share	FA St Nicholas	£ 45,953.03
The Action Group	FA Bryce Avenue	£ 40,847.14
The Action Group	FA Cameron Crescent	£ 40,847.14
The Action Group	FA Lochend	£ 40,847.14
The Action Group	FA - Tressilian	£ 40,847.14
Thistle Foundation	FA Westfield	£ 45,914.41
Visualise	FA Albert Street	£ 81,284.17
Visualise	FA Restalrig	£ 81,284.17
		£ 3,797,605.49