

## London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham Record of Cabinet Member Decision

**The call-in has expired and this decision can now be implemented.**

- ❖ Draft Decision List published on: 16 February 2023
- ❖ Confirmed Decision List published on: 21 February 2023

1. **TITLE: Step Up To Social Work Programme Procurement Strategy**

2. **DECISION MADE BY:** Cabinet Member for Children and Education

3. **DECISION:**

The Cabinet Member for Children and Education approves:

1. The procurement strategy to recommission a new Step Up to Social Work Programme contract for a duration of two years with the option to extend twice, for an additional two years per extension period. The contract value will be £1,400,000 every 2 years, bringing the total contract value after extension to £4,200,000. The contract will only continue based on satisfactory performance by the Provider and continued funding from the Department for Education (DFE).

4. **REASON FOR DECISION:**

The current contract expires in June 2023 and there is no option to extend. There is now a need to go back out to the market to undertake a competitive tender process, in line with Contract Standing Order 19.1, to ensure there is a high quality, value for money contract in place to deliver this programme.

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

Option 1 – Let provision of a Step-up to Social Work programme end in June 2023 and do not renew (Not recommended)

Option 2 – Let the current services continue under current arrangements and recommission the contract (Recommended)

6. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND DISPENSATIONS GRANTED:**

None

<b>Date of Decision</b>
13 February 2023