

BUDGET CUT ASSESSMENT FORM

C6

Budget Cut Assessment Form CEASE DRUG AND ALCOHOL FLOATING SUPPORT	Ref No C6	Responsible AD	Responsible Finance Manager	Responsible HR Manager	Responsible Lawyer	Responsible EIA Officer
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Description of Proposal:

To remove the Contract for the provision of Housing related/outreach support service for people with substance misuse problems (alcohol and drugs)

Service Detail
The service supports (approx. 50 clients per annum) vulnerable adults whose substance misuse needs makes them in specific need of support to find appropriate accommodation and successfully live independently or maintain their present accommodation and avoid becoming homeless. As well as addressing an individual's accommodation and independent living needs, the service aims to reduce dependency, increase & sustain independence, increase clients taking part in education, training and employment and meaningful daytime activities which are all critical to supporting an individual to move towards independent living and becoming a contributor to society.

Human Resources Impacts		Asset Management Impacts	Decommissioning Costs	Cost Shunting
No. of posts to be deleted	0	Detail any released buildings/building space Identify disposal or requisition issues	In addition to HR and Asset costs identify any others e.g. early contract termination costs The contract was let for a period of two years with the option to extend for a further twelve months. The contract has a notice period of 90 days. A separate £33,000 element for a Substance Misuse Youth Worker has been commissioned separately by the DAAT and is a time limited 3 year element. This proposal impacts on this too.	Is there any known or potential to increase costs elsewhere within Council budgets If this service is de-commissioned, there could be a potential cost shunt to ASC and/or Housing to meet some people's needs. The service plays a preventative role in avoiding the escalation of avoidable circumstances which prevent, reduce and delay the need for a Social Care intervention. The service includes the provision of a rapid intervention/triage support which enables individuals to receive instant support and interventions. If this daily drop in service was not available it could result in an increase in the number of direct presentations to housing services. Due to the chaotic lifestyles of the individuals it is unlikely that they would make and keep appointments to access advice/help in the same way.
No. of potential redundancies	0			
Estimated Redundancy costs	£0			

Financial Summary					
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Estimated reduction to budget	£43,185	£86,371	£86,371	£86,371	£86,371
Redundancy Costs					
Asset Implication					
Decommissioning Costs					
Known Cost Shunting	Not able to be specifically quantified				
Overhead	£1,410	£2,781	£2,745	£2,725	£2,725
NET Budget Reduction	£44,595	£89,152	£89,116	£89,096	£89,096

Equality Impact Assessment
Officers have considered the proposal's relevance to Darlington Borough Council's Public Sector Equality Duty and full Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken. A copy of this is available in 3 (b) Appendix 1.