

CABINET

Tuesday, 28th July, 2020

COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 46

The following action taken in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 46 is reported. In consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Member(s):-

1. The Director of Public Health authorised

1.1 Mitigation against and management of local outbreaks of COVID-19 Southend-on-Sea Test and Trace Service.

The entering into an agreement with Essex County Council (ECC) to “share in a “Test & Trace” service to be provided by Provide CIC. ECC will take the lead in administering the service which will include a dedicated call handling service as well as more specialist staff with skills in contact tracing investigations.

The costs to the Council will be as follows:

- (a) twelve months funding of £270,000 (Two Hundred and Seventy Thousand pounds) plus VAT.
- (b) There may be further funds requested by ECC to deliver the service in the first 12 months that will be considered at the time and the Agreement captures this. This will be limited to 15o/o of the total cost that ECC has to pay CIC Provide. This may be required if the additional call handlers or specialist staff are required in order for the service to meet demand. This funding will be evidenced by ECC and not exceed the total Grant (inclusive of those monies at 2 (c) below.)
- (c) £11,7A0. (Eleven Thousand seven hundred pounds) towards the costs of ECC employing three Consultants in Communicable Disease Control.
- (d) The Agreement can be extended for a further 12 months and the costs of doing so agreed at the time with ECC.