

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

PEOPLE CABINET MEMBER

DEFIBRILLATORS IN SCHOOLS

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider the provision of defibrillators in two further secondary/special schools not covered by previous financial assistance from the Community Grant Fund in addition to those covered by Minute 116 (45) of 23 January 2014
- 1.2 The matter is urgent to allow acceptance of the offer from East Midlands Ambulance service for the original five schools covered by the original report.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 Further to the cabinet member report published on 15 January an additional application for grant funding has been received to provide a defibrillator in further secondary schools. The two additional schools on the grant application not covered by that report are St Bedes and St Hugh's.
- 2.2 Minute 116 (45) approved the decision to extend to 5 further schools. This minute has yet to be implemented. In the light of the above it is proposed that approval for the further 2 schools be included as a matter of urgency so that all named schools can access the proposal as soon as possible.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

The options available to the Cabinet Member are as follows.

- 3.1 Approve the extension of the scheme to the two schools identified
- 3.2 Not approve the extensions

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 The extension of the scheme would deliver the benefits of the scheme identified in the previous reports on this subject. This would allow the majority of secondary schools in North Lincolnshire to have access to defibrillators and benefit from the training and awareness raising in their schools and among their pupils. If the proposal is not approved these benefits would not be gained by the two schools in Scunthorpe.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

Financial

5.1 The council has approved revenue and capital funds to support community projects as part of the 2013/14 budget. This additional proposal is likely to cost around £3,500 which can be met from these funds.

Staffing, Property and IT

5.2 There are no staffing, property or IT related implications to consider.

6. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

6.1 Enabling extension of the scheme would raise awareness of first aid and improve the health of the school community and the wider population.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

7.1 None.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 That the Cabinet Member approves the provision of defibrillators to all the named schools.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report

Community grant application dated 22 January 2014