

Service Review Options Summary

Name of Service Review:

Service Savings Target:

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Options		Ballpark cost to implement option			Key Risks & Benefits	Resource needed to deliver	Liability	Complexity of implementation	Ballpark Implementation Go Live
No.	Delivery Type (select from drop down)	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15					
1	Internal Provision				Benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCC is able to ensure savings targets are achieved. • SCC is able to drive service improvements. • No additional procurement costs are incurred. • The infrastructure is already in place and local arrangements can be protected. • Safeguarding arrangements can be secured via links to Children's. Risks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No evidence that SCC management achieves better outcomes than other providers. • DfE in its Statutory Guidance wants to see private, voluntary and community groups and organisations involved in the management of Children's Centre. • This does not fit with the SCC Target Operating Model. 	N/A		Low	eg Q1 FY 12/13
2	Externalisation	50k	50k		Benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCC could control the achievement of savings targets and service improvement via LA led organisations. • Staff would leave SCC employment. • Partially fits with Government's view re management of Children's Centres. • Subcontracting could allow PVI involvement. • Could be a phased approach to a full market tender. Risks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial establishment of a legal entity could be costly. • Some duplication in back office costs 	100k		High	e.g. Q3 FY 13/14

3	Outsource - To One Provider	50k	50k		Benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service can be evaluated against current market rates. • Savings achieved via the outsourcing. • Organisation with a strong track record can be engaged. • SCC workforce is reduced. • Operational overheads reduced. Risks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of initial tender could be high. • Consultation is required. • Need for a robust tender process. • Adverse impact on PVI sector who are currently involved in Children's Centres. • Possible duplication of overhead costs. • VAT costs may apply. 	100k		High	eg Q1 FY 13/14
4	Outsource - By Cluster	50k	50k		Benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allow for local arrangements. • Opportunities for PVI organisations. • Achieve the Change Programme objectives of reducing SCC workforce. • SCC workforce is reduced. • Operational overheads reduced as providers bring their own capacity. • Involvement of service users in procurement process. Risks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement can be costly and complex. • Tendering and contract monitoring needs to be robust. Varied arrangements re TUPE and Pension deficit. • Service will be fragmented and driving performance management will be challenging. 	100k		High	eg Q1 FY 13/14

Comments
<i>e.g. Finance view on VAT, pensions, corporate overheads impacts (not figures)</i>
<p>Resources: Based on current service costs.</p> <p>Go-live: As of now as no service reconfiguration required.</p> <p>Staff: No change; staffing levels remain unchanged.</p> <p>VAT: No change for VAT purposes - local authorities are permitted to fully recover VAT incurred in connection with non-business, exempt or taxable activities.</p> <p>Pensions: No change providing staffing levels remain unchanged. If staff are made redundant, then anyone over 55 years is entitled to their pension. This will result in an immediate cost to SCC.</p>
<p>Resources: Contract Management capacity required £50k from 2012/13 and 2013/14.</p> <p>Go-live: Financial Year 2013/14.</p> <p>Staff: Would transfer to the new entity.</p> <p>VAT: Costs incurred for new legal entity.</p> <p>Pensions: Implications may vary depending on model agreed.</p>

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