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| <b>CONSENT TO URGENT DECISION</b>  | <b>PART 1</b> (to be completed by the person seeking consent) |  |
| <b>Proposed Decision Maker</b> <i>(please name person or body proposing to take decision, if an officer also state title)</i>  | <b>Date for Decision</b>                                      |  |
| <b>Title:</b> Children's Commissioning Funding Bids  | 21 April 2017   |  |
| <p><b>Summary of matter</b></p> <p>Children's Commissioning is currently working hard to transform the way in which we commission residential care for Warwickshire's most vulnerable children and young people. As such we are working on two complimentary projects; Bright Residential for Children (BR4C) and an enhanced and innovative West Midlands region framework contract for children for whom BR4C is not the right option. For both these projects there are currently national grant schemes available that not only provide the opportunity to secure additional funds but also provide access to expert support, mentoring and networks of local authorities who are also changing the way they do things.</p> <p>The County Council wishes to submit bids for these two funds but the timescales for the submissions is tight with the deadline being the 27 April 2017. For that reason an urgent decision is required.</p> |   |  |
| <p><b>Proposed Decision</b></p> <p>1) That the Portfolio Holder for Health agrees to Children's commissioning proceeding with the two funding bids;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To the Life Chances Fund for BR4C</li> <li>• To the Innovation Fund for the transformation of the West Midlands Region framework contract, which Warwickshire are currently leading.</li> </ul> <p>2) Subject to the outcome of the bidding process that the Portfolio Holder for Health approves and authorises the Strategic Director of the People Group to enter into the necessary agreements on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Strategic Director of Resources to secure the grants and ensure the conditions of the grants are adhered to for the period of these arrangements.</p>  |   |  |
| <p><b>Reasons for urgency</b></p> <p>As noted above, the deadline for submissions means that the urgency procedure must be used if the bids are to be submitted on time.</p>   |   |  |
| <p><b>Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework?</b> <i>[please identify relevant plan/budget provision]</i></p> <p>No</p>   |   |  |
| <b>PART 2</b> (to be completed by the person giving consent)   |   |  |

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| <b>Name</b>                  | Councillor: Alan Webb   |  |
| <b>Office Held</b>           | Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee |  |
| <b>Date consent is given</b> | 11 April 2017   |  |