

Overview of Responses and Recommendations

Budget Proposals 16/17: Thames Valley Positive Support (TVPS)		Rachel Johnson - Senior Programme Officer	19 January 2016 Version 2 (Exec)
Proposal:	To reduce the funding to TVPS to £6,000.		
Total budget 15/16:	£13,000	Recommended officer saving 16/17:	£7,000 (54%)
Initial proposed saving 16/17:	£7,000 (54%)	Final recommendation to Executive 16/17:	To proceed with this savings proposal, without any modifications.
Nos of responses:	5 responses received.		
Key issues raised:	Concern that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The stigma of HIV remains in West Berkshire and TVPS is the only dedicated HIV charity in West Berkshire. The impact of postal HIV testing could potentially lead to higher diagnoses of HIV, meaning more people would require support from TVPS. 		
Equality issues:	None were drawn out from the responses.		
Suggestions for reducing the impact on service users:	Suggestion	Council response	
	Reduce funding to TVPS	Although the number of people living with HIV in West Berkshire is low, the council does want to continue to ensure that people who are diagnosed and are living with HIV are given appropriate support and advice.	
Alternative options for applying the saving in this area:	Suggestion	Council response	
	None received.		
Suggestions for how others may help contribute:	None received.		
Officer conclusion as a result of the responses:	The exercise has not highlighted any impacts that are not already anticipated.		

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Officer recommendation as a result of responses:	Feedback has not uncovered any further issues which would prevent the council from proceeding with this proposal. It's therefore recommended to implement this proposal with no changes.		

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