

## Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

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<b>DECISION OR INFORMATION:</b>	Decision
<b>DATE RECEIVED:*</b>	30.11.21
<b>REF:*</b> (to be inserted by the OPCC)	2021.121

<b>TITLE:</b>	Serious Violence Youth Interventions Home Office Funding – Divert Plus Programme Procurement Decisions
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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Home Office has awarded the Police and Crime Commissioner £442,550 as a result of a successful bid to the Serious Violence Youth Interventions – Teachable Moments Fund. The funding awarded is for what has been called locally the Divert Plus Programme. This funding and the associated activity must be spent and delivered by the end of March 2022.

The Commissioner is asked to approve the spending of these funds as follows:

- £172,500 to Nottingham City Council for staffing, equipment, premises and training
- £67,400 to Nottinghamshire County Council for staffing, equipment and training
- £70,000 to Nottinghamshire Health Care trust for speech and language therapists and supervision
- £132,650 to be retained by the OPCC for training, IT, comms and marketing, remuneration for young people design, personalised mentoring activities, project management and administration costs.

In addition, the PCC has been awarded follow on funding for the Divert Plus Programme from the Youth Endowment Fund (YEF) which will run from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024. A further Decision Notice will be issued in respect of the YEF funding following confirmation of the operating model and associated activity.

### INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (eg report or business case)

This Grant has been made available from the Home Office to enable the PCC to deliver the Divert Plus Programme. The aim of this programme is to divert young people away from the criminal justice system at a turning point before court action is taken, ensuring that support workers can drive a positive improvement in key emotional, physical, and vulnerable behaviours amongst beneficiaries by intervening at 'teachable moments'. By building trusting relationships over a period of months and being supported to navigate the right support services (statutory and non-statutory), improvements are expected in beneficiaries' behaviour management, emotional control, self-esteem, and social support. These building blocks should help deliver a range of positive outcomes including reducing knife crime and repeat offences, and the tragic and unnecessary loss of life, reduce vulnerabilities in young people, improvement in school attendance and reduction in the strains on statutory services such as police and health partners.

The procurement decisions relating to this funding are as follows:

\*\* See guidance on non-public information

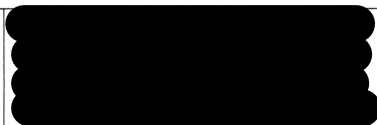
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- A grant of £172,500 will be made to Nottingham City Council for staffing, equipment, premises and training. A specialist team leader, qualified case workers and youth workers are all required to kick start this programme. The programme aims to provide a custody based provision delivered by qualified Youth Justice Staff for the defined age group 10-17 years. In order to avoid delays with regards to recruitment existing City Council/Youth Justice staff can be utilised as they have the necessary skills and experience required. In addition, the City Council have access to premises and training providers that can be accessed quickly which is necessary given the short time frame provided by the Home Office for delivery and spend of the grant.
- A grant of £67,400 will be made to Nottinghamshire County Council for staffing, equipment and training. Again as with Nottingham City Council, Nottinghamshire County Council has access to staff and training that can be utilised to kick start the programme in a timely manner.
- A direct award of £70,000 to Nottinghamshire Health Care trust for speech and language therapists and supervision. They are the sole providers of speech and language therapy and therefore in order to ensure quick access to this provision a direct award is the most appropriate.
- £132,650 to be retained by the OPCC for training, IT, comms and marketing, remuneration for young people design, personalised mentoring activities, project management and administration costs.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This is revenue spend and is within budget.

**Signature:**  
**Chief Finance Officer**



**Date:**

1/12/21

**Is any of the supporting information classified as non-public or confidential information?\***

Yes

No

If yes, please state under which category from the guidance\*\*

### DECISION:

That the Commissioner is asked to approve the spending of the Home Office Serious Violence Youth Interventions Funding as follows:

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This will support the delivery of the programme objectives as outlined in the bid to the Home Office.

### OFFICER APPROVAL:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that the appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

**Signature:**  
**Chief Executive**

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**Date:**

*2/12/21*

### DECLARATION:

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below:

The above request has my approval

**Signature:**  
**Nottinghamshire Police &  
Crime Commissioner**

*C E Henry*

**Date:**

*6/12/21*