

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

Notice of Decision



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For Decision or Information	Decision
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TITLE: County Domestic Violence and Abuse Tender: award of tender

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The PCC receives a grant from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) to commission local victim support services. One of the conditions of the PCC's MoJ grant is that the funding is spent on services for victims of crime and in particular victims of the most serious crime.

Following a joint review with Nottinghamshire County Council in 2014 into domestic violence services in the county, the PCC agreed to work with the Council, under the umbrella of an agreed Inter Authority Agreement (IAA), to co-commission a new integrated domestic abuse support service from October 2015 to September 2018. The commissioned service, to which the PCC will contribute approximately 37% of the funding (subject to annual confirmation of the Commissioner's grant from Government), will enable domestic abuse survivors to achieve outcomes to cope and recover from crime.

The tender was divided into 3 lots as follows:

Lot 1: countywide
 Lot 2: north
 Lot 3: south

The intention was to award a contract either to Lot 1 **or** to Lots 2 and 3.

The tender panel met on 9 June 2015 and agreed that:

- Nottinghamshire Women's Aid is the preferred bidder for services for Lot 2: north
- WAIS is the preferred bidder for services for Lot 3: south

INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (e.g report or business case)

Under the terms of the Inter Authority Agreement with Nottinghamshire County Council, it was agreed that the Council would act as the lead commissioner and manage the procurement process. The Council's "Exempt Appendix to Report of the Chairman of the Public Health Committee" dated 2 July 2015 contains the background information underpinning the recommendation to appoint the winning bidders.

The report is exempt from publication by virtue of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

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The PCC's funding contribution to the contract is subject to annual confirmation of his funding from Government.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION (please include if is it capital or revenue or both. What the split is and the totals being requested. Is this a virement/ something already budgeted for or something that requires additional funding. Are there any savings that can be offered up/or achieved)

The funding is revenue. The total amount of grant requested is up to £491,328 pa for 3 years from 1 October 2015. This amount is in the commissioning budget.

The financial model used in the contracts is a 5% cap and collar arrangement based on a price per survivor per journey. Providers quoted a price per survivor per journey based on the estimated demand detailed in the specifications. Providers will be paid for the volume of service users they support, with the minimum payment ("collar") being 95% of the estimated volume and the maximum ("cap") being 105% of the estimated volume. In addition, from Year 2 of the contract, providers will be paid up to 5% of their price per survivor per journey only on demonstrating that survivors have achieved sufficient outcomes as a result of the service.

The annual grant paid to the contracts will therefore vary from year to year. The amount will fluctuate depending on the:

- volume of survivors each contractor supports
- annual price per survivor journey agreed each year with each provider (this will never exceed the total amount of grant quoted for each lot); and
- survivor outcomes achieved by each provider.

The cap and collar arrangement ensures that the PCC only pays for the support that is provided as opposed to previous block contract arrangements. The incentive reward model that will be delivered from Year 2 will ensure providers' ongoing commitment to ensuring positive outcomes.

The price per survivor will be agreed annually but cannot go above the total value of the contract. In addition efficiencies will be sought from providers to ensure that the cost of the service does not increase. Both bids came in slightly under budget.

Signature:
Chief Finance Officer



Date: 29th July 2015.

Is any of the supporting information classified as non public or confidential information**?	Yes	✓	No	
If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance**	3. information relating to business affairs			

DECISION:

To agree to Nottinghamshire County Council's recommendation for it to contract with WAIS and Nottinghamshire Women's Aid to deliver domestic abuse support services in the south and north of

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the county respectively for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2018.

To provide up to £491,328 per annum for the contracts, to be paid for by Ministry of Justice Victims' Services Grant. The funding is subject to annual confirmation of the PCC's grant from Ministry of Justice and will be managed by Nottinghamshire County Council under the terms of the Inter Authority Agreement.

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



Date: 30/7/15.

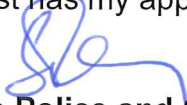
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DECLARATION:

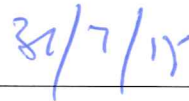
I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below:

The above request has my approval.

Signature:



Date:

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