

## Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

### Notice of Decision



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<b>For Decision or Information</b>	Decision
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\*to be inserted by Office of PCC

**TITLE: Procurement of a new sexual violence support hub and specialist therapy 2020-5**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Following the PCC's sexual violence needs assessment, published in November 2019, he has developed a new model for sexual violence support which includes a dedicated sexual violence hub and provision of therapeutic support.

Nottingham City Council, Nottinghamshire County Council, Bassetlaw CCG and Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCGs have agreed to fund the hub and therapy elements of the new model on a pooled budget basis. Commissioners from each organisation are working with the OPCC to develop the specification and the PCC will act as the lead commissioner for the service.

The hub and therapy contract will provide the following:

- a single point of contact for survivors to access all the services they may need;
- specialist SVA therapy;
- proactive leadership and awareness raising around sexual violence support;
- seeking further funding to develop peer support including volunteering opportunities for survivors.

Survivors are at the heart of the new model, which has been co-produced with them. Survivor engagement is a key element of the specification. The survivor engagement that has previously been led by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner will be integrated into the new model.

The PCC will build in the option to allow him to integrate the Independent Sexual Violence Adviser Service into the model after June 2022. This will only happen following a PCC review of both services during 2021 and if it is agreed to be appropriate and effective.

The contract will begin with mobilisation from 1 October 2022 and delivery of support from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2023. There are two possible one year extensions. It is a new service and the opportunity must now be published in an open procurement process, which will be managed by EMSCU on the PCC's behalf.

The PCC is requested to approve the following:

1. his earlier verbal approval of the publication of a Prior Information Notice (PIN) in March 2020 to announce his intention to work with public sector partners to publish an ITT later in the year. The PIN sought feedback from potential providers about the model and soft market testing took place during April 2020;

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2. publication of an Invitation to Tender in June 2020 for a provider to deliver a specialist SVA hub and therapy; to mobilise from September 2020 and deliver support from January 2021.

The value of the contract will be as follows:

Year	SVA hub and therapy	ISVA Service (to be confirmed in 2021/2)*	Potential extra contract value - to be confirmed if any new funding becomes available**	Total
	£	£		£
2020-1 Q4	251,875	0		<b>251,875</b>
2021-2	1,007,500	0	200,000	<b>1,207,500</b>
2022-3	947,500	246,829	200,000	<b>1,394,329</b>
2023-4 Q1-3	710,625	246,829	150,000	<b>1,107,454</b>
Sub total contract value	2,917,500	493,657	550,000	3,961,157
2023-4 Q4* Potential extension year	236,875	82,276	50,000	<b>369,151</b>
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Sub total potential extensions	1,895,000	658,210	400,000	2,953,210
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>4,812,500</b>	<b>1,151,867</b>	<b>950,000</b>	<b>6,914,367</b>

\* Extensions and ISVA funding to be confirmed.

\*\*Additional funding to be included in the contract notice and specification to allow flexibility to add onto the contract, should any further funding become available.

3. Provide PCC funding as for the service as set out in the table below:

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<b>Total</b>	<b>1,624,167</b>	<b>821,310</b>	<b>2,445,477</b>

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The PCC's contribution towards the SVA hub and therapy, including engagement, will be paid for by MoJ Victims' Services Grant, which includes the MoJ Devolved Rape Support Fund.

The PCC's contribution towards the ISVA service will be paid for Victims Services Grant.

The remaining funding for the SVA hub and therapy for the period January 2021 to December 2023) will be provided by pooled contributions from:

- Bassetlaw CCG
- Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG
- Nottingham City Council
- Nottinghamshire County Council

The following is subject to further agreement and confirmation:

- PCC funding after December 2023
- ISVA funding
- Additional national funding to be added onto the contract value.

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

The PCC has a responsibility to commission services for victims of crime, and to prioritise the victims of the most serious crime. Victims and survivors of sexual violence require a range of help to cope and recover from crime, including crisis support for recent sexual assault, ISVA, and

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counselling.

The PCC has been leading work with local public sector agencies for some time to develop a collective co-commissioned approach to therapeutic support for sexual violence survivors in Nottinghamshire. In 2019 he co-commissioned a sexual violence needs assessment with NHS England, which made recommendations for the PCC, local authorities and clinical commissioning groups to develop and fund a new SVA hub and specialist SVA therapeutic support.

Individual funders have confirmed in writing that they will contribute towards the cost of the service, as set out above. These arrangements will be governed by a partnership agreement to be put into place.

The PCC and his partners will publish the ITT in June 2020. The ITT will be open for over 8 weeks to allow bidders plenty of time to respond.

Flexibility has been built into the ITT to allow for further services to be added into the contract. This includes the ISVA service from July 2022. The ITT also allows for additional money to be invested into the contract, subject to more funding being available nationally and agreement by the PCC and his funding partners to add funding into the contract. The approach does not commit the PCC to funding further work, but allows for flexibility should funding become available nationally.

In order to encourage a wide range of bidders, the PCC will not require a financial threshold for bidders. However, bidders must demonstrate, and will be scored on, their financial and organisational capacity to manage a contract of this size.

Survivors have been actively involved in the development of the specification and will be involved in the qualitative scoring of bids received.

As the PCC and his public sector partners already fund some specialist counselling and therapy for SVA survivors, TUPE may apply to the contract. TUPE information will be shared with bidders.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION** (please include if it is 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)

Revenue funding is requested. The amounts requested are within budget. The demand for sexual violence support has risen and continued investment is required. Funding from public sector partners has been confirmed in writing.

Signature:   
**Chief Finance Officer**

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

<b>Is any of the supporting information classified as non public or confidential information**?</b>	Yes		No	✓
If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance**				

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**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

*Ken Janis*

Date: 15-6-20

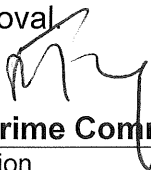
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**DECLARATION:**

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:

16/6/2020

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\*\* See guidance on non public information

