Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner Notice of Decision



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For Decision or Information	Decision
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TITLE: Direct Award for Targeted Youth Outreach

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This decision form seeks approval of a Single Tender Waiver in order to directly award £60,000 to Nottingham Forest Community Trust (NFCT) for the provision of continued targeted youth outreach by Breaking Barriers Building Bridges (BBBB).

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

The OPCC and VRU have commissioned targeted outreach by Building Bridges Breaking Barriers since 2019. As a result of positive outcomes for young people participating, as well as a decline in incidents of serious violence in the outreach area and a promising independent evaluation by Nottingham Trent University, the NNVRU wish to commission the provider for another year (April 2021 to March 2022) with the option to extend for a further year (April 2022 to march 2023) should the budget be available and the performance be acceptable.

A Single Tender Waiver is being proposed in order to maintain consistency of service for the next 12 months.

Much of its success as an intervention lies with the credibility and relationships that the Outreach Team (BBBs) have built with the vulnerable young people that they are supporting as available, trusted adults. They also have developed positive working relationships with business owners and the police team as well as having strong referral pathways in place to support services, such as mental health, substance misuse and housing. Furthermore they have been allocated external funding to establish a safe space for young people nearby. Taking all of this into account, they are a unique provider and it would be detrimental to the positive outcomes they have evidenced so far to appoint an alternative provider at this time.

Recognising that the VRU cannot continue to sustain the intervention in the long term, alternative funding sources have already been sought for a large portion of the funding required this year bringing the VRU/ OPCCs funding contribution down to 50% in 2021/22 and a further 50%, should funding be available in 2022/23.

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A contribution of £60,000 will be made to NFCT who currently oversee the targeted youth outreach being delivered by BBBBs in Nottingham City Centre in 2021/22. This will be made up of a £20,000 contribution from the Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) and £40,000 from grant funding allocated by the OPCC to the Crime and Drugs Partnership (CDP). Please note a separate decision form has been submitted for the dissemination of the CDP funding.

Signature:
Chief Finance Office

Date: 18th March 2021.

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

DECISION:

Spend is authorised in line with detail outlined in this decision notice.

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: 22/8/2/

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 and Crime Commissioner

** See guidance on non public information

Date:

13/3/21