

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

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DECISION OR INFORMATION:	Decision
DATE RECEIVED:*	05/12/22
REF: * (to be inserted by the OPCC)	2022.117

TITLE: Specialist Sexual Violence Mental Health Practitioner – Single Tender Award

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Decision Records 2021.015 and 2021.102 detailed the PCCs commitment to a Sexual Violence Mental Health Practitioner Pilot. Since May 2021 a Mental Health Practitioner has been seconded into the specialist SVA services to provide specialist assessment and access to mental health interventions for sexual violence survivors as well as raising awareness and building the capacity of staff and volunteers working with survivors and mental ill health. The PCC is now required to confirm her intention to continue to contract with Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust to deliver a Specialist Sexual Violence Mental Health Practitioner to work between 1st September 2022 and 31 March 2024 for a total amount of £90,382.00.

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

Decision Records 2021.015 and 2021.102 provide the background to the introduction of a mental health practitioner into the specialist SVA services.

The Mental Health Practitioner is currently seconded into the commissioned SVA Hub service provided by NSVSS. The Specialist Sexual Violence Mental Health Practitioner is employed by Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

The Mental Health Practitioner has been in place since May 21 and has supported over 128 cases as of October 2022. She is vital to helping some of the survivors to stay engaged in the criminal justice process. We are keen to continue this provision via a single tender award to extend the contract from 1st September 2022 through to March 2024. This contract is being awarded as a single tender award as it is an essential element of the SVA service, required to safeguard survivors and protect their mental health, making direct referrals to other secondary mental health services for the most unwell survivors. It is a niche produce and provider which can only be provided by the Healthcare Trust.

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Delivery of the Specialist Sexual Violence Mental Health Practitioner from 1st September 2022 to 31 March 2024 requires a total funding allocation of £90,382.00. This is broken down across the financial years as £32,687.00 for the financial year to March 2023 and £57,695.00 for the financial year to March 2024.

Signature: Chief Finance Officer	REDACTED
Date:	06.01.23

Is any of the supporting information classified as non-public or confidential information?**	Yes		No	\boxtimes
If yes, please state under which category from the guidance**				
DECISION:				
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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	S.M. Cooll			
Date:	06.01.23			

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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: Nottinghamshire Police & Crime Commissioner	and thenry		
Date:	09.01.23		