

# Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

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DECISION OR INFORMATION:	Decision
DATE RECEIVED:*	23.02.24
<b>REF:</b> * (to be inserted by the OPCC)	2024.015

**TITLE:** Young Adult Prisoners Mentoring Intervention

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Violence Reduction Partnership seeks approval of £70,350 from the Serious Violence Duty Implementation Fund towards a Young Adult Prisoners mentoring intervention in HMP Nottingham and £15,000 spend for evaluation of the intervention.

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

HMP Nottingham is a Category B adult male prison in the Sherwood area of Nottingham and serves courts in Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. Around 1000 prisoners are accommodated at Nottingham prison in a mixture of single and shared rooms. Between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, HMP Nottingham saw Young Adults account for 40% of all violent incidents, despite only representing around 20% of the wider population. 79% of incidents of violence involving Young Adults were either prisoner-on-prisoner assaults, or fights, with the remaining 21% involving a Young Adult assaulting a member of staff.

In response the VRP will initiate the provision of both structured 121 mentoring and group work for young adult prisoners aged 18-25 years with violence and/or gang related offences. Research suggests that mentoring:

- is a potentially effective way of helping offenders build new social networks that can support desistance
- can have some positive effects on reoffending, employability and motivation to change
- can lead to decreased feelings of isolation and increased feelings of self-worth

The intervention will made available as a tender opportunity and will run for 9 months in the 2024/2025 financial year from Q2 to Q4. It will be fully evaluated for impact.

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### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The total cost of the contribution is  $\pounds$ 70,350 for delivery of the mentoring programme and  $\pounds$ 15,000 for the evaluation. There is available budget within the Serious Violence Duty Implementation Fund. Spend will be in the 2024/25 financial year.

Signature: Chief Finance Officer	REDACTED	
Date:	26.02.24	

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:			

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:	5 March 2024			

# 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

\*\* See guidance on non-public information

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Date:	8 March 2024
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