

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner Notice of Decision



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For Decision or Information	Decision
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TITLE: Sexual violence research and consultation 2017

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

During 2017 the PCC will co-commission new paediatric and adult Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARC) with NHS England, and is in discussion with Nottinghamshire County Council and county clinical commissioning groups to co-commission a new adult specialist sexual violence support service. In addition, the PCC is working with the City and County Councils to put specialist, dedicated support in place for adult survivors of abuse which took place whilst they were in institutional care such as children's homes ("historical institutional abuse").

Whilst some research into the needs of survivors has already been conducted by the PCC and others, the PCC wishes to commission independent research to understand better:

- a. how adult survivors across all protected characteristics wish to access support services and how services should be provided;
- b. feedback on the support that survivors require;
- c. the views of providers and stakeholders about the shape of new sexual violence support services for children/young people and adults (both SARC and other services);
- d. the current evidence base for best practice in supporting survivors of sexual abuse and achieving better survivor cope and recovery outcomes;
- e. the current evidence base for best practice in integrating adult and paediatric Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARCs) and specialist sexual abuse services.

The PCC sought proposals from a list of nine organisations with expertise in research and/or sexual violence. Two bids were received and were evaluated by a panel against published criteria. Following the evaluation, it is recommended that Lime Culture be awarded the contact for a cost of £16,350. This will be funded from Community Safety Grant.

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

The PCC's Standing Orders allow for procurement of goods and services under £25,000 to be managed by acquiring three quotations. Quotations/proposals were sought from nine organisations. Two proposals were received. As the time timescale for the research was very limited, with the final report due in early July in order to fit with NHS England's commissioning timetable, the two bids received were assessed against published criteria. Lime Culture's proposal scored the highest and is therefore recommended for funding.

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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)

A sum of one off revenue funding was included in the 2017-8 budget for this work. Bids were evaluated for experience, method statements and price, with 40% of the score being awarded for price. The winning quotation is under the budgeted sum.

Signature: 
Chief Finance Officer

Date: 23rd November 2017

Is any of the supporting information classified as non public or confidential information?**

Yes		No	✓
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If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance**

DECISION:

To award a contract to Lime Culture for £16,350 to deliver the independent sexual violence research and consultation. This will be funded from Community Safety Grant.

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:

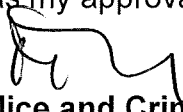
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DECLARATION:

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 and Crime Commissioner



Date:

27/11/17

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