# Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner Notice of Decision



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For Decision or Information	Decision
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TITLE: Custody Suite Improvements Mansfield & Bridewell

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Decision is for the appointment of Gleeds and also for the appointment of Lindums through SCAPE. Gleeds will need to be appointed first so that they can support Estates on the evaluation of the Lindums proposal. Gleeds have submitted a proposal.

Gleeds are to be appointed to produce a set of drawings, schedule of works and specification for improvement works at Bridewell and Mansfield Custody. Gleeds Fee £11,625.76

Lindums Fee for Feasibility is £6,900.00

The improvements at Bridewell will be to replace the WC pans on the ground floor.

The improvements at Mansfield Custody will be to replace all the WC pans; remove the low height solid wall at the end the beds; replace the shower doors; decorate the cells; decorate the corridors; recoat the floors in the corridors and in front of the charge desk.

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



Custody Programme 2018.pdf



Custody
Improvements - FEB

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total budget is £262,000.00 – Estimate from Gleeds is £250,000 which would mean we have a £12,000 buffer in case of unforeseen requirements.

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Chief Finance Officer

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Is any of the supporting information classified as non public or confidential information**?	Yes	No	
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### **DECISION:**

To recommend award to Gleeds and Lindums via the SCAPE Framework.

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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

Date: 23/11/18

#### **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** 

<sup>\*\*</sup> See guidance on non public information

For Decision	
Public/Non Public*	Non Public
Report to:	Force Executive Board
Date of Meeting:	8 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Approval of PCC required?	Yes
Report of:	Estates & EMCJS
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Agenda Item:	

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## **CUSTODY LIGATURE AND FIRE SAFETY RISKS**

## 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 This is an update on the previous report that was submitted on 3 April 2018 about the existing custody ligature and fire risks. The Board requested that this revised report should include the following additional information including, the operational view and control measures that are in place to mitigate the current risks, the previous decision from FEB in 2016, details about which works need to be done and which works would be nice to do.

#### 2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that FEB consider the options in the previous report (appendix 1) and the current custody risk management control measures that are undertaken by EMCJS (appendix 2) and decide whether option 3 in the previous report is the most appropriate.

Option 3 recommended that we maintain the current risk management at Bridewell and Newark, while at Mansfield the Force undertakes £575,000 of necessary custody works to comply with Home Office guidance and reduce ligature risks.

EMCJS have also recommended that it would be good to replace 12no WC pans on the ground floor of Bridewell, to reduce the risk in some cells, with the Home Office compliant pans at an estimated cost of £24,000. This would remove a relatively significant risk from the most used floor, where the highest risk detainees are accommodated at a relatively low cost.

#### 3. Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 FEB agreed in 2016 that any decision on where to carry out improvements at our custody suites should be made after a decision had been taken on the future of Bridewell, and in the meantime the Force would continue to mitigate the risks within the suites.

3.2 The action from FEB in April 2018 was that the report should be amended and resubmitted as a joint paper by Estates and EMCJS, explaining which are essential safety works and which would be nice to do, including the reasons.

EMCJS current manage the risks at all three custody suites and this is explained in detail in appendix 2 of this report.

It would be nice to carry out improvement works at Bridewell and Newark, but because Newark is currently mothballed and Bridewell is planned to be replaced, EMCJS could continue to manage the risks, but EMCJS have suggested that it would be good to replace 12no WC pans on the ground floor of Bridewell, to comply with custody guidance at an estimated cost of £24,000.

At Mansfield there are a number of risks that are currently managed by EMCJS, but as a solution for a suite that is to be retained long term, it is recommended that improvements are necessary to meet Home Office guidance, which will involve the following works:-

- a) Replace 3mm holed ventilation grilles with 2mm holed grilles to meet custody guidance and because of this change it is necessary to change fire detection system with a higher smoke sensitivity system.
- b) Replace WC pans to comply with custody guidance.
- c) Remove low walls to comply with custody guidance
- d) Replace shower heads to comply with custody guidance.

## 4. Summary of Key Points

4.1 As previous report - appendix 1

# 5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

5.1 As previous report – appendix 1

## 6. Human Resources Implications

6.1 As previous report – appendix 1

# 7. Equality Implications

7.1 As previous report – appendix 1

## 8. Risk Management

8.1 The principal method that is used to manage the custody risks is the Risk Assessment process as outlined in the EMCJS Custody Procedural Guide, Section 4.

All detainees are subject to a risk assessment on arrival in custody which results in a care plan. This risk assessment sets a level of observation from Level 1 (hourly visits

for adults and 30 minute visits for juveniles) to Level 4 (close proximity constant supervision) based on:  ☐ The custody officer's observations ☐ Information provided by the escorting officer(s) ☐ Information provided by the detainee ☐ Any warning markers on PNC ☐ Previous custody records if necessary/available
There is more information on the risk assessment included in appendix 2
Potential ligature points within cells are being reviewed throughout the region at a Strategic level to ensure the continued safety of our detainees.
9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities
9.1 As previous report - appendix 1
10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations
10.1 As previous report – appendix 1
11. Details of outcome of consultation
11.1 As previous report – appendix 1
12. Appendices

12.1 Appendix 1 – Previous report dated 3 April 2018
Appendix 2 - Environmental Suicide and Ligature Point Assessment

# Appendix 1



# Appendix 2









