

## Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

### Notice of Decision



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<b>For Decision or Information</b>	Decision
<b>Date received*:</b>	04.10.19
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\*to be inserted by Office of PCC

**TITLE: Extension of MoJ devolved rape support fund contracts October 2019 to March 2020**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Ministry of Justice agreed earlier in 2019 to devolve the Rape Support Fund to 5 PCCs, including Nottinghamshire. Previously the MoJ had funded Notts SVS Service and SHE UK to deliver counselling and other therapeutic support.

The PCC previously agreed contracts to be awarded to Notts SVS Services and SHE UK for the March – September 2019 period, as outlined in Decision Form 2019.022. As the PCC is working closely with health and local authorities partners to plan for future services, he wishes to continue to fund Notts SVS Services and SHE UK to continue to deliver support, until a new model is agreed and can be commissioned later in 2019.

The PCC is asked to:

1. extend his current contract with Notts SVS Services from 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020, to a value of £42,000, to be funded by MoJ Devolved Rape Support Fund; and
2. extend his current contract with SHE UK from 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020, to a value of £37,632, to be funded by MoJ Devolved Rape Support Fund.

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

The PCC co-commissioned a comprehensive sexual violence and abuse needs assessment with NHS England/NHS Improvement in June 2019. The needs assessment will be published in October 2019 and will inform future services. A commissioning exercise to put future therapeutic support services in place is planned for later in 2019.

The PCC wishes to ensure that there is no loss of support for survivors whilst future services are agreed. Demand for sexual violence support, and in particular therapy, continues to rise. Given the vulnerability of survivors who are currently receiving therapeutic support from NSVSS and SHE UK, East Midlands Strategic Commercial Unit (EMSCU) has advised that direct awards may be made to NSVSS and to SHE.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION** (please include if it is 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)

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Revenue funding is requested. The amounts requested are within budget and funded by the MoJ's Devolved Rape Support Fund. The demand for sexual violence support has risen and continued investment is required.

Signature:   
**Chief Finance Officer**

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

**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:**

The PCC is asked to agree to:

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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: 14/10/19.

**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: 17/10/19

\*\* See guidance on non public information