

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

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DECISION OR INFORMATION:	Decision
DATE RECEIVED:*	06/01/2022
REF:* (to be inserted by the OPCC)	2022.003

TITLE:	Contract Extension – Hosting and Support for Nottinghamshire Victim CARE website
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In 2019 the PCC commissioned PDMS to design, develop and provide on-going hosting, support and maintenance of a new Nottinghamshire Victim CARE website (see Decision notices 20180.65, 2018.092 and 2019.001). The contract that was awarded ran for the period 7 January 2019 to 31 March 2022 with no potential extension options.

In order to allow time for a full re-tender of the Nottinghamshire Victim CARE service (currently planned for summer 2022) and then the subsequent re-commissioning of the hosting and support element of the Victim CARE website we are seeking an initial 12 month extension to the PDMS contract with a further option to extend by another 12 months if required. The hosting and support element of the contract would therefore be extended from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 with a further option to extend from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024 if required. This extension would be undertaken as a single tender award.

The PCC is therefore asked to confirm her approval to offer PDMS an initial 12 month extension and a further optional 12 month extension via a single tender award. This is a financial commitment of £5,217.71 per year to be funded by Community Safety Grant.

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

Helping and supporting victims of crime is one of the PCCs key strategic priorities. The PCC receives a grant from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) to commission local victim support services, in line with the Code of Practice for Victims of Crime and to support victims to achieve cope and recover outcomes.

The aim of the Nottinghamshire Victim CARE website is to further aid victims and survivors in Nottingham/shire to cope and recover from crime. Its main objectives are to:

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- Enable the public and victims/survivors of all crime access to information about being a victim in a simple, intuitive way including the provision of links to advice and local support services;
- Enable external agencies to understand the pathways of support for victims/survivors of both domestic and sexual abuse;
- Increase the number of victims who access support;
- Promote and increase the number of victims who access restorative justice services;
- Raise awareness around particular crime types; and
- Enable victims to self-refer into the Victim CARE service regardless of whether they have reported the crime to the police.

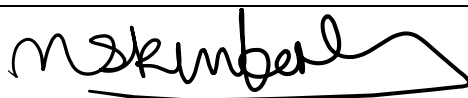
The contract for the initial design development and ongoing hosting and support was originally procured via an open tender in 2018/19. The contract term was January 2019 to March 2022 with no extension options. An extension via a single tender award is requested to ensure that the Nottinghamshire Victim CARE website remains accessible and secure. The website is used by victims of crime, many of which are vulnerable. The extension will also allow time for the Victim CARE Service to be re-tendered and the subsequent re-commissioning of the hosting and support element of the Nottinghamshire Victim CARE website.

Legal advice has been sought and it has been advised that the extension is permissible pursuant to regulation 72 (1) (b) of the PCR 2015.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The funding is revenue. This is a financial commitment of £5,217.71 per year to be funded by Community Safety Grant.

Signature:
Chief Finance
Officer





Date:

07/01/2022

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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	
Date:	14/01/2022

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	
Date:	25/01/2022