

<b>Individual Mayoral Decision</b>  23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	
<b>Report of:</b> Debbie Jones, Corporate Director Children and Culture	<b>Classification:</b> Unrestricted
<b>Individual Mayoral Decision: New Youth Activity Contracts 2020/21</b>	

<b>Lead Member</b>	<b>Councillor Danny Hassell, Cabinet Member for Children, Schools and Young People</b>
<b>Originating Officer(s)</b>	Ronke Martins-Taylor, Divisional Director Youth and Commissioning Magdalene Bannis-Royer, Youth Service Strategic Development Lead
<b>Wards affected</b>	All wards
<b>Key Decision?</b>	No
<b>Forward Plan Notice Published</b>	15 April 2020
<b>Reason for Key Decision</b>	N/A
<b>Strategic Plan Priority / Outcome</b>	People are aspirational, independent and have equal access to opportunities A better deal for children and young people: aspiration, education and skills

### Executive Summary

This report sets out a request to award a new, one year one off contract, without competition, to the existing commissioned voluntary sector youth activity providers from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 with a 5% uplift for additional work in making referrals 'to Breaking the Cycle' Programme. These providers deliver universal youth activity and specialist projects. The value of the main contract is £940,858 with an additional £47,043 which total contract value to £987,901.

This IMD is required because in the report that went to Cabinet on 26th February 2020, the overall value of the contract was stated as £940,858. The proposed 5% uplift must therefore be agreed by the Mayor.

### Recommendations:

The Mayor is recommended to:

1. Approve a new 12-month contract, from 1st April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, to all current Community and Voluntary Sectors (CVS) youth activity providers (universal and specialist) to a value of £987,901.

## **1 REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS**

1.1. To approve the increased value of the contract which is now £987,901.

## **2 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

2.1 None.

## **3 DETAILS OF THE REPORT**

3.1. All existing contract providers will be issued with a new contract from 1st April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 as set out below:

<b>Lot</b>	<b>Provider</b>	<b>Contract Value 2019/20</b>	<b>5% uplift</b>	<b>Contract Value 2020/21</b>
Lot 1	St Marys Youth Hub (Society Links)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
Lot 2	Exmouth Youth Hub (Newark Youth)	£77,850	£3,893	£81,743
Lot 3	The Workhouse Hub (PH)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
Lot 4	Spotlight Youth Hub (PH)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
Lot 5	Osmani Youth Hub (Osmani Trust)	£78,008	£3,900	£81,908
Lot 6	St Paul's Way Youth Hub (PH)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
Lot 7	Linc Youth Hub (PH)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
Lot 8	Ian Mikardo Youth Hub (PH)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
Lot 9	Street & Detached Provision (PH)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
Lot 10	Eastside Youth Hub (PH)	£80,000	£4,000	£84,000
RFQ	Tower Project	£50,000	£2,500	£52,500
RFQ	Step Forward	£25,000	£1,250	£26,250
Lot 11	Half Moon	£70,000	£3,500	£73,500
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£940,858</b>	<b>£47,043</b>	<b>£987,901</b>

3.2. Providers will be required to make referrals of up to 20 young people during the length of the contract to the 'Breaking the Cycle' programme run by Early Help.

3.3. 'Breaking the Cycle' focuses on families, where there are children/young people at risk of involvement in youth crime or anti-social behaviour; or those subject to a Triage intervention with the Youth Justice Service. (YJS). A rolling weekly programme of sessions will be developed. The aim of the sessions is to show the impact of youth crime and anti-social behaviour on families, children/young people and victims and support young people into developing positive behaviour.

## **4 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None.

## **5 OTHER STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 This section of the report is used to highlight further specific statutory implications that are either not covered in the main body of the report or are required to be highlighted to ensure decision makers give them proper consideration. Examples of other implications may be:

- Best Value Implications,
- Consultations,
- Environmental (including air quality),
- Risk Management,
- Crime Reduction,
- Safeguarding.
- Data Protection / Privacy Impact Assessment.

5.2 No other Statutory implications.

## **6 COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER**

6.1. This report requests approval to award a contract to youth activity providers with a 5% increase to the 2019/20 contract value. This will increase the contract cost by £47k for 2020/21 and will need to be met from existing resources.

## **7 COMMENTS OF LEGAL SERVICES**

7.1 The Council has the legal power to undertake the activities identified in this report.

7.2 This report is administrative in nature as it seeks only to amend the value of the delegation previously granted at the Cabinet meeting of the 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020

7.3 These are services that need to be provided as they relate to vulnerable people. The Council has a statutory duty to provide appropriate local youth services to improve young people's wellbeing.

7.4 As identified in the cabinet report of 26<sup>th</sup> of February a disruption to these services would expose the Council to risk. A one-off contract for one year awarded to the current providers will enable the Council to prepare a new specification to reflect the services restructure. This will then be subjected to competition. The one-year contract is a prudent step to ensure that there is service continuity during the service restructure and ensures that the Council continues to comply with its statutory duty to provide these services

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## **Linked Reports, Appendices and Background Documents**

### **Linked Report**

- NONE.

### **Appendices**

- NONE

### **Background Documents – Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012**

- NONE

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