

DECISION NO: PCCG-2015-054

OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

LEAD CHIEF OFFICER: Darren Garwood-Pask – Chief Finance Officer & Deputy Chief Executive

TITLE: Provision of a Women’s Pathfinder Pan Wales Triage (Diversion Scheme)

DATE: 10 August 2015

TIMING: Urgent

PURPOSE: For Approval

1. RECOMMENDATION

1.1 It is recommended that the contract for the Provision of a Women’s Pathfinder Pan Wales Triage (Diversion Scheme) be awarded to Tenderer’s B, E and F, in accordance with paragraph 81 of the Manual of Governance.

1.2 The contract is awarded for six (6) months with an option to extend for a further twelve (12) months subject to funding.

2. INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

2.1 In 2014 the Commissioner successfully submitted a bid to the Home Office Innovation Grant Fund for funding to support a pilot on behalf of the four Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) in Wales and National Offender Management Service (NOMS) in Wales. The Services required are to undertake a project to pilot the Diversion Scheme. The Project will include the Diversion Scheme at one triage pilot site in each of the Police Force areas at the following four Premises across Wales

- Newport (Gwent)
- Merthyr Tydfil (South Wales)
- St Asaph (North Wales)
- Haverfordwest (Dyfed-Powys)



2.2 The Women's Pathfinder provides a whole system approach including support for women as an alternative to charging, during bail and pre-sentence and during resettlement from custody. Additional to this, women can self-refer to the Pathfinder if they have previously been involved with the Criminal Justice Service (CJS) or identify themselves as being at risk of committing offences. The majority of CJS involvement with female service users is related to violent and/or acquisitive offending behaviour, whilst prevailing presenting problems are deficits in thinking and behaviour, lifestyle and associates, substance misuse, accommodation, mental health issues and victimisation issues, these latter two most often not being directly related to offences but significant as responsivity issues when engaging females with services.

2.3	Research was undertaken to establish if there were any suitable frameworks or contract available to utilise prior to carrying out a full tender process. There are no available frameworks/contracts for this requirement.																																				
2.4	The tender process undertaken was the open procedure and suppliers were required to submit their Invitation to Tender (ITT) document by 14 July 2015.																																				
3.	<u>ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION</u>																																				
3.1	Eight suppliers responded to the ITT by the closing date. Five of the tenderers submitted a bid for one location only, two tenderers submitted a bid for all four locations and one tenderer submitted a bid for two locations. The responses were evaluated on the basis of the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT).																																				
3.1	The responses were evaluated by the evaluation panel consisting of the; Dip Regional Manager, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Gwent; Director of Commissioning, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Dyfed Powys, Project Lead for Reducing Offending and Re-offending, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner South Wales; Commissioning Officer, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner North Wales, IOM Cymru Women's Pathfinder Project Manager. The process was facilitated by the Head of Procurement on behalf of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent.																																				
3.2	The evaluation criterion used were; 40% commercial and 60% technical (specification).																																				
3.4	Below is a breakdown of the scores achieved by the suppliers and agreed by the evaluation panel: <table border="1" data-bbox="284 1308 1182 2029"> <thead> <tr> <th>Award Criteria</th> <th>Commercial</th> <th>Technical (specification)</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Max Score</td> <td>40.00</td> <td>60.00</td> <td>100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tenderer A</td> <td>16.48</td> <td>45.50</td> <td>61.98</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tenderer B</td> <td>40.00</td> <td>38.50</td> <td>78.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tenderer C</td> <td>21.30</td> <td>42.00</td> <td>63.30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tenderer D</td> <td>40.00</td> <td>36.50</td> <td>76.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tenderer E</td> <td>40.00</td> <td>38.50</td> <td>78.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tenderer F</td> <td>40.00</td> <td>42.00</td> <td>82.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tenderer G</td> <td>40.00</td> <td>36.50</td> <td>76.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Award Criteria	Commercial	Technical (specification)	Total	Max Score	40.00	60.00	100.00	Tenderer A	16.48	45.50	61.98	Tenderer B	40.00	38.50	78.50	Tenderer C	21.30	42.00	63.30	Tenderer D	40.00	36.50	76.50	Tenderer E	40.00	38.50	78.50	Tenderer F	40.00	42.00	82.00	Tenderer G	40.00	36.50	76.50
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4.	<u>NEXT STEPS</u>				
4.1	On approval of the report, all suppliers will be issued with a ten day standstill letters in line with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, notifying them of our intention to award the contract. Subject to any challenges, which may happen during the standstill period, Tenderer B, E and F will be awarded the contract and initiate their implementation plan for the service to commence on 1 September 2015.				
5.	<u>FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS</u>				
5.1	The cost of the service for 6 months are £79,242.99, should the contract be extended for a further twelve (12) months the cost will be £158,486. Total cost of contract £237,728.99.				
5.2	The cost of the project will be met by the Innovation Grant Funding.				
6.	<u>PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS</u>				
6.1	There are no personnel considerations; the Pathfinder project team has already been established to implement and manage the project.				
7.	<u>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</u>				
7.1	This report has been submitted in line with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and Manual of Governance.				
7.2	The tender documents were reviewed and agreed by Joint Legal Services prior to issue.				
8.	<u>EQUALITIES AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS</u>				
8.1	This project/proposal has been considered against the general duty to promote equality, as stipulated under the Single Equality Scheme and has been assessed not to discriminate against any particular group.				
8.2	In preparing this report, consideration has been given to requirements of the Articles contained in the European Convention on Human Rights and the Human Rights Act 1998.				
9.	<u>RISK</u>				
9.1	The risk for the Commissioner should the contracts not be awarded are, no: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● support will be provided to women as an alternative to charging ● reduction in arrests resulting in charge (for appropriate cases) ● increased access to services for women to address their issues with regard to victimisation and abuse ● reduced reoffending ● the Innovation funding would need to be re-paid to the Home Office 				

10.	<u>PUBLIC INTEREST</u>
10.1	Following approval by the Commissioner, this report will be made available to the public after the ten day Standstill Period.
11.	<u>CONTACT OFFICER</u>
11.1	Paula Corfield – Head of Procurement
12.	<u>ANNEXES</u>
12.1	N/A

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Consultation:	Tick to confirm (if applicable)
Financial The Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	✓
OPCC (insert name) The Chief Executive has reviewed the request and is satisfied that it is correct and consistent with the PCC's plans and priorities.	✓
Legal The legal team have been consulted on this proposal.	N/A
Equalities The Equalities Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	N/A
Chief Executive/ Deputy Chief Executive: I have been consulted about the proposal and can confirm that financial, legal, equalities etc... advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate report to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent.	
Signature: 	
Date: 13/08/15	
Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct. The above request has my approval.	
Signature: 	
Date: 13/08/15	

This report has been signed by the Chief Executive on behalf of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent as per Part 3c, Scheme of Consent and Delegation, Paragraph 9 of the Manual of Corporate Governance.