



Subject: NiDAS – Norfolk Integrated Domestic Abuse Service – Variation of Contract

Originator: Stephanie Stearman

Decision no. 13/2024

Reason for submission: For Decision

Submitted to: Giles Orpen- Smellie – Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk (PCC)

Summary:

1. This Decision Notice seeks approval by the PCC to agree to Contract Variation Number 10 (No 7F-2020-0273) from 1st January 2024 for the Norfolk Integrated Domestic Abuse Service (NIDAS).
2. This Decision Notice details changes in the Partnership arrangements for service delivery within the seven districts of Norfolk, between Tier 1 (the Contract Holder) Leeway Domestic Abuse and Violence Services and the Tier 2 partner the Daisy Programme

Recommendation:

The PCC is in support of this decision that supports Contract Variation No 10 as produced by 7Force Procurement Services.

Outcome/approval by: PCC

The recommendations as outlined above are approved.

Signature: 

Date: 07/02/2024

Detail of the submission

1. Objective:

- 1.1 To ensure that there is consistent delivery of the NiDAS service to cover the seven districts within in the County of Norfolk (Broadland, Breckland, Gt Yarmouth, Kings Lynn and West Norfolk, Norwich, South Norfolk and North Norfolk) that is in line with the original tender specification and contract award of the NiDAS Service.

2. Background:

- 2.1 The NiDAS contract was awarded to Leeway Domestic Violence and Abuse Services as lead agency after a competitive tender process in June 2021 which was managed by the 7Force Procurement Department.
- 2.2 Mobilisation of the service took place during October – December 2021 with the service going live 3rd January 2022.
- 2.3 Leeway Domestic Violence and Abuse Services is the Contract holder (Tier 1) for the NiDAS Service and the original delivery partnership (Tier 2 Partners) consisted of the Daisy Programme, the Pandora Project, Safe Partnerships and Orwell Housing.
- 2.4 During the early stages of the service, the Pandora Project and Orwell Housing left the partnership and the NiDAS service was delivered by the Daisy Programme, Safe Partnership and Leeway Domestic Abuse and Violence Services who temporarily covered the areas that were originally serviced by the Pandora Project and Orwell Housing.
- 2.5 The current partnership has now reviewed the NiDAS Service delivery and through the Contract Variation process managed by 7Force Procurement Services, has proposed a change in the allocated districts for the current partnership so as to provide a consistent service but keeping in line with the original tender and Contract award.
- 2.6 The proposal by Leeway Domestic Abuse and Violence Services is as follows:
 - a. Leeway Domestic Abuse and Violence Services delivery areas consists of, Broadland, Norwich, Great Yarmouth and South Norfolk districts.
 - b. The Daisy Programme delivery areas consist of, Breckland, North Norfolk, Kings Lynn and West Norfolk districts.
- 2.7 The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner is lead commissioner for the NiDAS service in partnership which consists of Adult Social Services, Childrens Services, Broadland District Council, South Norfolk District Council and Norwich City Council. All partners contribute funding to the NiDAS Service.

3. Areas for consideration:

- 3.1 That the service remains within the specification of the tender and Contract award of a 60/40 split between lead and local partners.
- 3.2 That service delivery to victims of domestic abuse is consistent across districts and in standards.

4. Other options considered:

- 4.1 The Contract holder looked at the option of another delivery organisation who could delivery to the specification of the Contract to join the partnership. This option did not come to fruition.

5. Strategic aims/objective supported:

- 5.1 The PCC has a statutory obligation to set out Police and Crime objectives through the Police, Crime and Community Safety Plan 2022-2024. The PCC's six priorities fall into the following categories each with detailed objectives in the plan:

- Sustain Norfolk Constabulary
- Visible and Trusted Policing
- Tackling Crime
- Prevent Offending
- Support Victims
- Safe and Stronger Communities

- 5.2 The NIDAS service supports two of these pillars: Supporting Victims and Safe and Stronger Communities.

5.3 The primary statutory legislation that drives the commissioning of domestic abuse services across the Local Authority and Police force areas are:

- Crime and Disorder Act 1998
- Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004
- Children Act 1989 & 2004
- Health and Social Care Act 2012
- Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012
- Equality Act 2010
- Directive 2012/29/EU of the European Parliament establishing minimum standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime Directive 2012/29/EU
- Code of Practice for Victims of Crime –MoJ Victims Code 2020
- Home Office Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy
- Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls – July 2021
- Domestic Abuse Act 2021

6. Financial and other resource implications:

6.1 The Original Contract Value for the Initial Term -remain unchanged as per 7Force Contract Variation at £6,696,040.60

6.2 The Value of the Contract including Variations -remains unchanged as per 7Force Contract Variation at £7,590.523.85

7. Carbon Emissions and Other Environmental Implications:

Carbon Emissions

7.1 The estimated impact on our carbon emissions that must be reported under current statute from this proposal is:

Emission Categories:	Increase in tCO ₂	Saving in tCO ₂
Scope 1 – Fuel – Building Heating	0	0
Scope 1 – Fuel – Transport	0	0
Scope 2 – Electricity	0	0

Environmental Implications

7.2 No material implications

8. Other implications and risks:

8.1 There are no foreseen major implications or risks associated with this decision.

Originator checklist (must be completed)	Please state 'yes' or 'no'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	NO
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	YES
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	YES
Have human resource implications been considered?	YES
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	YES
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	YES
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	YES
Have sustainability and environmental factors been considered? (e.g. biodiversity, employee commuting, business travel, waste and recycling, water, air quality, food and catering and estates construction)	YES
In relation to the above, have all relevant issues been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission?	YES

Is this report a Confidential Decision?

NO

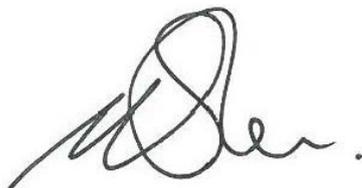
If Yes, please state reasons below having referred to the [PCC Decision Making Policy](#)

Approval to submit to the decision-maker (this approval is required only for submissions to the PCC).

Chief Executive

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report, that the recommendations have been reviewed and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the PCC.

Signature:



Date: 07/02/2024

Chief Finance Officer (Section 151 Officer)

I certify that:

- a) there are no financial consequences as a result of this decision,
Or
- b) the costs identified in this report can be met from existing revenue or capital budgets,
Or
- c) the costs identified in this report can be financed from reserves
And
- d) the decision can be taken on the basis of my assurance that Financial Regulations have been complied with.

Signature:



Date: 07/02/2024

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