

**OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
FOR HUMBERSIDE
DECISION RECORD**

Decision Record Number DR38/2023.

Title **Contract Award: Adult Sexual Assault and Referral Centre (SARC)**

Executive Summary:

This paper supports the recommendation to award the contract of the Adult Sexual Assault and Referral Centre (SARC), to Mountain Health Care, who were the highest scoring bidder following an open tender exercise in collaboration with all Yorkshire and Humber PFCC and Mayor, and NHS England:

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Decision of the PCC

To approve the outcome to award the SARC contract to the successful bidder (Mountain Healthcare), as the submission was the most economically advantageous tender received. The approval of award is in collaboration with the regional Yorkshire and Humber PFCC and Mayor, under NHSE procurement head of terms and with effect from 01 April 2023.

Background Report: Open

Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

I confirm I have considered whether I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct.

Any such interests are recorded below.

The above decision has my approval.

Signature

Date 14/11/2023



**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
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SUBMISSION FOR: DECISION

OPEN

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Date: 13/10/2023

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2. Recommendation(s)

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3. Background

- 3.1 On open Invitation to Tender was published in September 2022 for the adult SARC service with the key documents agreed across Yorkshire and Humber PFCC and Mayor, under NHSE
- 3.2. The Procurement and Evaluation was approved on the 09 September 2022. The procurement process was completed in accordance with the objectives

Set out within this approved strategy across Yorkshire and Humber, PFCC And Mayor and NHSE.

- 3.3 The recommended bidder scored highest of the 3 bids submitted and;
- Submitted a compliant bid;
 - Passed all elements of the Capability and Capacity Assessment;
 - Submitted a tender price that is within the specified annual affordability threshold of £2,400,000;
 - Achieved a minimum of 50% from the 80% (i.e., 40%) available for all non-finance related criteria (quality);
 - Offered the most economically advantageous tender, i.e., achieve the highest combined percentage score for both quality and finance in line with the evaluation criteria;
 - Passed the economic and financial standing and validation of the Highest Scoring Bidder self-certification evidence.

3.4 Summary of Evaluation:

Bidder	Submitted a compliant bid	Passed all elements of the Capability and Capacity Assessment	Submitted a tender price that is within the specified annual affordability threshold	Achieved a minimum of 50% from the 80% (40%) available for all non-finance related criteria (quality);	Offered the most economically advantageous tender, i.e. achieve the highest combined percentage score for both quality and finance in line with the evaluation criteria	Passed the economic and financial standing and validation of the Highest Scoring Bidder self-certification evidence	Summary
Bidder 01	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (51.50%) with a combined quality and finance score (62.50%)	No	N/A	Bidder 01 submitted a compliant bid but failed to achieve the highest overall score.
Bidder 02	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (59.50%) with a combined quality and finance score (65.50%)	Yes	Yes	Bidder 02 is the recommended bidder.

3.4.1 This procurement has delivered the stated commissioning and procurement Objectives and within the bid propose to:

- Ensure that the victims accessing SARC services across Yorkshire & Humber.
- Receive NHS standard services that are commissioned to the latest good practice, standards, and guidance (in line with Regulation 2(a));
- Ensure seamless crisis support, forensic examination, and criminal justice.
- Pathways across the health and justice system by collaborative and mutually beneficial working.
- Arrangements and processes in place with the police and the healthcare providers (in line with Regulation 2(a));

- Seamless and robust access to follow-on support for victims, through collaborative partnership working (in line with Regulation 2(a));
- Accessible services, high-quality and value for money.
- Healthcare services supporting inclusion and equality of treatment that is evidenced-based.
- Develop services using the latest health needs assessments and contract and performance data to ensure services and specifications are fit for purpose.
- Safer provision that enhances governance of services that will ultimately improve patient experience and quality of overall care
- Successful delivery against the Sexual Assault Referral Centres Indicators of Performance.
- Timely crises support and access to forensic examination to increase individuals' ability to recover from and manage in the aftermath of sexual assault, thereby reducing the risk of long-term needs further down health and social care pathways.

4. **Options**

1) Award contract

This option is recommended because it allows the OPCC and the respective YaTH collaboration to proceed and bring increased value, service provision and evidence-based interventions to the Humber area. This option enables identified need to be met and obligations detailed within section 3 of this report.

2) Do not award contract

This option is not recommended:

- Does not represent any added value the PCC's Police and Crime Plan priorities as detailed within this report.
- Reputation risk to the OPCC and YaTH collaboration by not meeting obligations/Police and Crime Plan Priorities and meeting highly prioritised services for victims.
- Reputational risk in terms of stakeholder expectations.
- The market landscape is limited and a retender would not guarantee value for money.

5. **Financial Implications (Seek financial advice from Chief or Deputy Chief or Deputy Chief Finance Officer)**

5.1 The contract cost not including the costs of achieving accreditation – known as the core cost – is split between NHS England and police commissioners on a 50/50 basis. The police commissioner share of core contract cost is split based on NRE 2021. Resulting in core contract costs for Humberside police shown below in table 1.

Table 1

	YEAR 1 - (01 April 23 - 31 March 24)	YEAR 2 - (01 April 24 - 31 March 25)	YEAR 3 - (0 1April 25 - 31 March 26)	YEAR 4 - (01 April 26 - 31 March 27)
Humberside	£200,254.01	£212,278.63	£212,278.63	£212,278.63

6. **Legal Implications (Seek advice from Legal Services)**

Supported and approved by NHS England and Force Regional Procurement

7. **Driver for Change/Contribution to Delivery of the Police and Crime Plan**

- **Engaged, resilient and inclusive communities:** communities are confident that they can access support, receive a proportionate, speedy, and effective outcome and sense of justice.
- **Safer Communities:** The service provides specific safety information to service users, whilst also raising awareness within the criminal justice system about the safety options and risks facing victims.
- **Effective organisations:** Liaising and advocating with a range of criminal justice system agencies, enabling the system work better for local communities. The aim is to enhance the criminal justice system and in particular the police response to all victims, working together and providing a multi-agency approach to the support, advocacy, and communication with victims.

8. **Equalities Implications (Have due regard to the Public Section Equality Duty)**

Full EIA has been completed as part of the commissioning (ITT).

9. **Consultation**

A full-service user consultation was undertaken as part of the commissioning exercise.

10. **Media information (Seek advice from Head of Communications)**
Liaison with Comms and Engagement Manager re possible announcement.
11. **Background documents (This will be published if open)**
None
12. **Publication**
Open
13. **DPIA considered (Data Protection Officer will complete full checklist – see attached)**
Advice sought