



Request for decision:

D04-2017

Subject matter: Drug and Alcohol contract for Gloucestershire

Executive summary:

In July 2012 preparatory work commenced to establish and create the new Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

As part of this process the Constabulary transferred some budget lines to the OPCC including funding for the continued contribution towards the co-funded Drug and Alcohol Services contract for Gloucestershire. The total annual value of the contract at this time was £6m of which the Constabulary contributed £65k for DARS. A separate scheme, AARS, was also funded by the Constabulary through a separate agreement with a different provider, the Independence Trust, at a value of £59k p.a.

Since 2003 the Constabulary has contributed to this issue through what was known as the pooled treatment budget (PTB) which later morphed into the commissioning of the Drug and Alcohol Service contract by the County Council with supporting contributions from Health and the Constabulary. In September 2012, approval was given by the Police Authority to the annual and continued contribution of £65 k towards the new Drug and Alcohol service contract which was awarded to Turning Point. Similarly, funding continued to the Independence Trust with the services remaining separate.

The Turning Point contract expired on 31 December 2016 with a commissioning process commencing in the summer of 2016 to identify a new provider from 1 January 2017. CGL has subsequently been awarded this contract for the period from 2017 to 2022 with a possible 2 year extension.

As part of this commissioning process the new service specification was amended to include both AARS and DARS as this would create efficiency in delivery and accountability and, in addition, the PCC's contribution was reduced from £124,000 to £100,000 p.a. The total annual contract value was also reduced from the original £6m for Turning Point to a new total of c. £5.m.

Prior to this commissioning process commencing the Constabulary were consulted and confirmed that both AARS and DARS are valued services and that the continuation of this approach was supported. Both services are available within the Compass House Custody suite.

Recommendations (with reasons for that recommendation)

That the Governance Board :

- note the continuation of this service provision;
- approve the PCC's contribution to the contract of £100,000 and;
- note the reduction in financial contribution from the PCC .

Police and Crime Commissioner

The above requests have my approval.

Signed:

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Date: 28 February 2017