



RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS OUTLINED IN THE CONSTITUTION – Part 3 Section 16

DELEGATED OFFICER DECISION TAKEN BY: PORTFOLIO AREA:	Sayyed Osman & Dominic Harrison Adults & Public Health
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SUBJECT:
Advocacy Services

1. DECISION

The Director agrees to award Lot 1 - IMCA, IMHA, DOLS and RPR, Care Act Advocacy and Single Point of Contact, Advocacy, Information, Advice and Referral Services to N-Compass.

The Director agrees to award Lot 2 Independent Health Complaints Advocacy Services to Voiceability.

2. REASON FOR DECISION

A tender process was carried out. The opportunity was advertised on The Chest. Four potential bids were received for Lot 1 and five for Lot 2.

These bids were evaluated by a panel of 3 members and the bid to receive the highest marks for Lot 1 was N-Compass and Voiceability for Lot 2.

3. BACKGROUND

The Care Act 2014, introduced a new statutory Independent Advocate role to facilitate a person's involvement in relevant social care functions being undertaken by a local authority. Under the Act, local authorities have duties to arrange an independent advocate for adults, as part of their own assessment and care planning and care reviews and to those in their role as carers as well as for adults who are subject to a safeguarding enquiry or Safeguarding Adults Review. The duties also apply to children who are approaching the transition to adult care and support, when a child's needs assessment is carried out, and when a young carer's assessment is undertaken.

4. KEY ISSUES AND RISKS

There are no anticipated issues or risks for Lot 1 as N-Compass are already delivering this service so there will be no disruption to delivery.

Lot 2 will be awarded to a new supplier therefore there will be TUPE implications to consider.

5. OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

The opportunity was advertised fairly and open to all interested parties. Evaluations were completed using a fair process outlined in the invitation to tender documentation. N-Compass and Voiceability were deemed the most suitable options.

6. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

All Declarations of Interest of the officer with delegation and any Member who has been consulted, and note of any dispensation granted should be recorded below:

VERSION: 1

CONTACT OFFICER: Sean Dickinson/Jodene Bibby

DATE: 19/03/2021

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

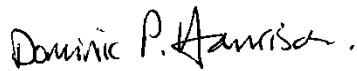
Signed:



Director SAYYED OSMAN

Date: 22.03.2021

Signed:



Director DOMINIC HARRISON

Date: 22.03.2021