



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

**DELEGATED  
OFFICER DECISION** Jayne Ivory  
**TAKEN BY:**  
**PORTFOLIO**  
**AREA:** Children and Education

## **SUBJECT:**

Advocacy and IV and Mentoring and Befriending

## **1. DECISION**

The Director agrees to award the Advocacy and IV and Mentoring and Befriending contract to Barnardo's.

## **2. REASON FOR DECISION**

A tender process was carried out. The opportunity was advertised on The Chest on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Two potential bids were received. These bids were evaluated by a panel of 3 members and the bid to receive the highest marks was Barnardo's.

## **3. BACKGROUND**

There is a statutory requirement for LAs to ensure that all our looked after children have access to advocacy, IV and mentoring and befriending as and when required. This provision and service should also be available to children subject to child protection plans.

In order to ensure that the service is independent from other key professionals, is child centred in supporting the views of the child by ensuring their views are heard and focuses on the right of the child, BwD have always commissioned this service.

The cost of the commission is built into the participation budget.

## **4. KEY ISSUES AND RISKS**

As Barnardo's is currently already delivering this service there will be no disruption to delivery.

## **5. OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

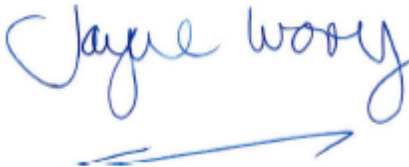
The opportunity was advertised fairly and open to all interested parties. Evaluations were completed using a fair process outlined in the invitation to tender documentation. Barnardos was deemed the most suitable option.

## **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:

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<b>CONTACT OFFICER:</b>	Denise Lynch
<b>DATE:</b>	08/03/2021
<b>BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:</b>	

Signed:	
	
<b>Director JAYNE IVORY</b>	<b>Date: 22 March 2021</b>