

## Operational Decision Record

Publication Date 04/05/2022	Decision Reference Number 4619
<b>Decision Title</b>	
Changing Futures Independent Advocacy Service	
<b>Decision Value</b>	
£78,750	
<b>Revenue or Capital Spend?</b>	
Revenue	
<b>Department</b>	
Public Health (People Directorate)	
<b>Contact Officer (Name, job title, and contact details)</b>	
Tracey Ford, Changing Futures Senior System Change Commissioning Manager	
<b>Decision Taken</b>	
To contract with a service provider to deliver an Independent Advocacy Service as part of the Changing Futures Programme. The provider will be selected by seeking up to three quotes.	
<b>Reasons for Decision and Background Information</b>	
<p>Nottingham City Council was successful in its bid to DLUHC for funding for the Changing Futures Programme. Changing Futures builds on the legacy of the Opportunity Nottingham project, funded by the Big Lottery. It provides services to people with Severe Multiple Disadvantage, having three or more of homelessness, mental ill health, substance misuse, domestic abuse and interaction with the criminal justice system.</p> <p>Incorporated in the Opportunity Nottingham service, and built into the Changing Futures bit, is an Independent Advocacy service. The funding has been budgeted for and has been provided by DLUHC in its entirety.</p> <p>The Procurement Team has been consulted. As the total value of the service is under £150,000, it can be procured by seeking three quotes. A specification is in draft, quotes will be sought and evaluated, with the contract awarded to the provider giving the highest quality offer. The contract will be on approved terms and conditions.</p>	
<b>Other Options Considered and why these were rejected</b>	

Full procurement – the value of the service does not warrant full procurement and officers believe there are sufficient local providers to approach for quotes.

Don't procure – The service forms part of the agreement with DLUHC and will be valuable for beneficiaries of wider Changing Futures services.

**Reasons why this decision is classified as operational**

The advocacy service is part of the Changing Futures Delivery Plan.

**Additional Information**

Advice has been taken from the Procurement Team. Correct processes and forms were provided by Julie Herrod between 20/04/2022 and 22/04/2022 and are being used.

A DPIA may be required to enable information to be shared. Advice is being sought. Information will not be shared until the DPIA is completed, if required, and an information sharing agreement is in place.

There are no financial risks, as the service is fully funded by the Changing Futures grant.

**Decision Maker (Name and Job Title)**

Lucy Hubber, Director of Public Health

**Scheme of Delegation Reference Number**

**Date Decision Taken**

29/04/2022