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Award

STRATEGIC DELIVERY OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE THERAPEUTIC SERVICES

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon and Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Scope

Reference

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Description

This service is dedicated to providing support to adults and children who live in Torbay, Plymouth, Devon and Cornwall and who have experienced rape and sexual assault and / or childhood sexual abuse.

For adults, this will include:

- Any adult survivor of childhood sexual abuse
- Any adult survivor of rape or sexual assault outside an intimate partner relationship
- Any adult survivor of sexual assault that may have occurred in a past intimate partner relationship, but where the primary need identified is around the impact of sexual violence and abuse, rather than domestic abuse (and is not in receipt of other related support).

For children, this will include:

- Any child who has experienced any form of sexual abuse or violence, regardless of whether they have caused sexual harm themselves. This could be acute or non-recent.

The service is for all survivors, irrespective of whether they have reported to the police and will be available before, during and after any criminal investigation or procedures.

The Requirement is intended to be awarded as separate contracts with the following Lots:

1. LOT 1 - Cornwall & IoS

Awarded Supplier: The Women's Centre Cornwall

Contract Value: £2,400,000 excluding VAT / £2,880,000 Including VAT

2. LOT 2 - Plymouth

Awarded Supplier: First Light Ltd.

Contract Value: £1375,000 excluding VAT / £1650,000 Including VAT

3. LOT 3 - Devon

Awarded Supplier: The Church of England Children's Society

Contract Value: £1490,000 excluding VAT / £1,788,000 Including VAT

4. LOT 4 - Torbay

Awarded Supplier: The Church of England Children's Society

Contract Value: £740,000 excluding VAT / £888,000 Including VAT

Contract CPV Classifications, Service Requirements, Award Decision Dates, and Contract Dates are the same for all lots.

Should additional funds become available under this contract any modifications made to the contract shall be in line with Regulation 74 (1) (a) (b) and (2) of The Procurement Act 2023 and the modification complies with Schedule 8, Para 4 (1) and Para 8 (1) (a) to (d) and section 31(2)(b) which allows modifications to Light Touch Regime procurements, even where such modifications are substantial. So long as the Authority still has regard to the section 12 objectives

It should also be noted that Confirmation of continued MoJ funding (DASV Additional Grant) is awaited (to the value of £400k per annum). This will be added to the contract in line with the funding formula once confirmed.

It is anticipated that additional resources will be accessed by providers via charitable sources to complement and enhance the core offer through full or partial match funding. Any match funding values brought to the contract by the provider will be distinctly separate from the obligations of the Authority and will not account towards the value payable under the contract by the Authority.

No monies can be carried forward into a subsequent financial year and all spending must be evidenced as spent within that financial year.

All underspend must therefore be returned by the Contractor at the end of the Funding year so bidders should not plan for funds being retained if underspent.

The funding is ringfenced for the provision of services for Victims/Survivors of and sexual violence and cannot be spent on other activities.

Funding must not be spent on any of the following:

- religious activities outside of projects benefiting the wider community and not containing religious content; political or lobbying activities.
- loan repayments; or
- activities that make profit for private gain.

- Campaigning activities
 - Funding must not be used for capital works e.g. building repairs, but can be used for other capital costs such as ICT equipment to enhance your communications and help reach local people.
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Lot LOT-0001. Cornwall & IoS

Description

see tender docs

Contract 1. Strategic Delivery of Sexual Violence Therapeutic Services (4 Lots)

Lots

Lot LOT-0001. Cornwall & IoS

Suppliers (3)

- [First Light South West Ltd](#)

- [The Church of England Children's Society](#)
- [The Women's Centre Cornwall Ltd.](#)

Contract value

- £6,005,000 excluding VAT
- £7,206,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

3 September 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

3 September 2025

Standstill period

- End: 23 September 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

25 September 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031

- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services
- 85312310 - Guidance services

Information about tenders

Lot LOT-0001. Cornwall & IoS

- 12 tenders received
- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 3 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 3 suppliers awarded contracts
- 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Suppliers

First Light South West Ltd

- Companies House: 03440794

The Business Centre, 2 Cattedown Road

Devon

PL4 0EG

United Kingdom

Email: tom.godwin@firstlight.org.uk

Region: UKK41 - Plymouth

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Strategic Delivery of Sexual Violence Therapeutic Services (4 Lots)

The Church of England Children's Society

- Companies House: 00040004

Whitecross Studios, 50 Banner Street

London

EC1Y 8ST

United Kingdom

Email: tenders@childrenssociety.org.uk

Region: UKI43 - Haringey and Islington

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Strategic Delivery of Sexual Violence Therapeutic Services (4 Lots)

The Women's Centre Cornwall Ltd.

- Companies House: 04316197

Windsor House, Bayshill Road

Cheltenham

GL50 3AT

United Kingdom

Email: fundraising@womenscentrecornwall.org.uk

Region: UKK13 - Gloucestershire

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Strategic Delivery of Sexual Violence Therapeutic Services (4 Lots)

Contracting authority

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon and Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJZW-2866-PYJW

Middlemoor

Exeter

EX2 7HQ

United Kingdom

Contact name: Emily Window

Email: emily.window@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

Region: UKK43 - Devon CC

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government