## THE OFFICE OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR DERBYSHIRE

#### **DECISION RECORD**

Request for PCC Decision Received in OPCC
Date: 24 February 2020 OPCC Ref: 26/2020

### POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER GRANT AWARD – HIGH FREQUENCY RESTORATIVE MENTORING FOR FEMALE OFFENDERS

#### **Executive Summary**

This report supports the decision made by the Commissioner to part fund a one year pilot project together with Remedi and Derbyshire County Council to develop and deliver a Restorative Mentoring Service to individuals who are identified as part of the Integrated Offender Management cohort in Derbyshire. The Commissioner's contribution is £10,000 and the project will run from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

Remedi will work with Derbyshire CRCs and multi-agency partners to reduce reoffending for males and females within the Integrated Offender Management (IOM) cohort. This cohort includes individuals who have been identified as being at a high risk of re-offending.

#### **Decision**

To approve the decision made by the Commissioner to part fund a one year pilot project together with Remedi and Derbyshire County Council to develop and deliver a Restorative Mentoring Service to individuals who are identified as part of the Integrated Offender Management cohort in Derbyshire. The Commissioner's contribution is £10,000 and the project will run from 1st March 2020 to 28th February 2021.

#### **Declaration**

I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire. Any such interests are recorded below.

None

The above request has my approval.

#### **Signature**

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Date 28 February 2020

#### **PUBLICATION SCHEME CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Is the related Section B report to be published Yes

The report contains commercially sensitive information.

#### Is the publication of this approval to be deferred No

If Yes, provide reasons below

#### Date to be deferred to -

NB Statutory Instrument 2011/3050 (as amended by SI 2012/2479) states that: *all decisions* made by a PCC are in the types of information that must "be published as soon as practicable after it becomes available to the elected local policing body".

#### OFFICER APPROVAL

#### **Chief Executive or Nominee:**

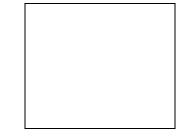
I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report.

I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner

Name Andrew Dale

Date 28 February 2020





# STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ASSURANCE BOARD

REPORT TITLE	POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER GRANT AWARD – HIGH FREQUENCY RESTORATIVE MENTORING FOR FEMALE OFFENDERS
REPORT BY	CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER
DATE	24 FEBRUARY 2020

#### PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

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#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. None

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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#### **CONTACT FOR ENQUIRIES**

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#### **BACKGROUND**

Remedi approached the Commissioner to propose the development of a restorative mentoring pilot project in Derbyshire following the successful development and delivery of this service in South Yorkshire.

Remedi will provide intensive restorative mentoring to 10-15 individuals across Derbyshire. This support will be provided 3 months prior to release for those serving custodial sentences, upon release and within the community as part of licence conditions.

The service has 2 main components, which are outlined below.

#### An initial restorative needs assessment

For those individuals in custody, this assessment will be completed 2-3 months prior to their release. For those individuals in the community, completion will be at the point of referral. The assessment is outcomes focused and based on restorative principles, which focus on working WITH individuals to support them to be the people they can and want to be. It is a future focused approach, which demonstrates the importance of forming and maintaining positive relationships by showing a high level of care and belief.

The individuals will be asked to consider what outcomes they want to achieve based on the needs identified and a joint support plan will be developed. Each support plan is bespoke to the individual based upon the needs identified. It is developed jointly to encourage a greater sense of ownership and personal responsibility, outlining clearly what the individuals will do themselves and what support they might need to achieve

their desired outcomes. This approach is empowering and can encourage voluntary behaviour change.

#### Provision of intensive restorative mentoring support

The restorative approach to our mentoring is a key factor in helping individuals' live offending-free lives.

For male offenders, previous delivery has shown that a lack of education and employment experience and opportunities presents significant barriers to their successful resettlement and/or motivation or ability to stop offending.

For female offenders, previous delivery has shown that 'harm' experienced by females presents significant barriers to their successful resettlement and/or motivation or ability to stop offending. This 'harm' may be caused to personal/family relationships, in local communities, to reputation/perception of the female in the community, regarding relationships with professionals/support agencies etc.

Combining the holistic aspects of mentoring and restorative practitioner skills, we have developed a 'needs led' service. This service will support individuals to enable sustained change.

Mentoring commences immediately following assessment and for those individuals leaving custody, this will involve the mentor meeting them upon release and transporting to safe accommodation (which will have been secured prior to the release date).

Mentors will provide intensive intervention for a defined period of time and will be flexible, persistent and responsive to support the individuals to make positive choices and prevent the cycle of reoffending. The service will continue until the individual has achieved their outcomes and is able to sustain them.

#### **SUMMARY**

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#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

NONE