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NORTHUMBRIA POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Key Decision

Title and Reference:

Request to Award a Contract for the Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) Process and Impact Evaluations

(PCC/494/2022)

Summary

There is a requirement from the Home Office that all VRU's must undertake several evaluations, to review commissioned interventions which contribute to the evidence base to determine which interventions work to reduce serious violence and knife crime.

The Home Office have issued guidance in relation to the types of evaluations which should be undertaken such as economic and impact evaluation processes. The Home Office have also stipulated how much of the VRU budget should be allocated for evaluation work across the three years.

An ITT was issued to Rocket Science UK on 28th November 2022, the clarification deadline was 16th December 2022 and the response deadline was 6th January 2023.

The opportunity was split 90% quality and 10% price.

The quality element was broken down into:

- Safeguarding
- Social Value
- Project Delivery
- Methodology
- Ethics
- Implementation

Overall Rocket Science UK scored the highest mark on the quality evaluation. Although they were not the cheapest, based on the evaluation criteria agreed they have come in as the most economically advantageous tender with a value of £210,041

Recommendation/Findings:

It is my recommendation to award the contract to Rocket Science UK following a tender exercise. The response submitted by Rocket Science UK met all of the criteria from a quality perspective and there were no concerns whilst also remaining within the budget set out for this opportunity.

Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner

I hereby approve the recommendation above.

Signature



Date

7/2/2023