

Offenders Housing Related Support Service

Commissioning / Procurement update- August 2016

Introduction

North Yorkshire County Council recently undertook a procurement exercise to award a contract for a North Yorkshire Countywide Offenders Housing Related Support Service for a period of 3 years from 1st October 2016 with the potential to extend the contract for a further 1 year.

Overview of Service Specification

The main aims of this countywide service are to:

- Provide housing related support services for high and medium level risk offenders supervised by the National Probation Service or Humberside, Lincolnshire & North Yorkshire Community Rehabilitation Company or people at risk of offending to access suitable accommodation or remain in their own homes, reduce the risk of re-offending, avoid eviction and homelessness and to reduce the need for more intensive support (Element 1)
- Provide support to perpetrators as part of the North Yorkshire Making Safe service. This scheme is a multi-agency integrated response and approach, supporting victims/survivors of domestic abuse to remain safe and supported in their own homes whilst at the same time challenging the behaviour of the perpetrator. In providing this intervention, the scheme has an innovative option of removing the perpetrator from the family home and placing them in alternative accommodation (Element 2). For the purposes of this specification support for victims/survivors, although an integral part of the "Making Safe" Scheme, will be delivered through the commissioned North Yorkshire Integrated Domestic Abuse Service

Procurement Outcome

The procurement process for the Offenders Housing Related Support Service has now concluded and the Council is awarding the contract for the countywide service covering both elements of the service specification to **Foundation.**

The new service will be in place with effect from 1st October 2016 and The Council will be working closely with the provider during the next few months on the implementation of the new service. Contact details for the service will be made available as soon as possible.

If you have any queries in the meantime regarding the above information please contact:

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