

DELEGATED POWERS REPORT NO.

1886

SUBJECT: Extension of Contract Catch 22 Community Space Challenge Funded by Big Lottery Grant

Control sheet

All of the following actions MUST be completed at each stage of the process and the signed and dated report MUST be passed to the Governance Service for publishing

All reports		
1. Governance Service receive draft report	Name of GSO Date	DPR 17.12.2012
2. Governance Service cleared draft report as being constitutionally appropriate	Name of GSO Date	Andrew Charlwood 19.12.2012
3. Finance clearance obtained (<i>report author to complete</i>)	Name of Finance officer Date	Farhana Begun 19.4.2013
4. Staff and other resources issues clearance obtained (<i>report author to complete</i>)	Name of Res officer Date	N/A
5. Strategic Procurement clearance obtained (<i>report author to complete</i>)	Name of SPO Date	Kevin Bates 21.12.2012
6. Legal clearance obtained from (<i>report author to complete</i>)	Name of Legal officer Date	Richard Bean 27.3.2013
7. Policy & Partnerships clearance obtained (<i>report author to complete</i>)	Name of P&P officer Date	Andrew Nathan 30.4.2013.
8. Equalities & Diversity clearance obtained (<i>report author to complete</i>)	Name of officer Date	Andrew Nathan 30.4.2013
9. The above process has been checked and verified by Director, Head of Service or Deputy	Name Date	Flo Armstrong 09.05.2013
10. Signed & dated report, <u>scanned or hard copy</u> received by Governance Service for publishing	Name of GSO Date	Andrew Charlwood 14.05.2013
11. Report published by Governance Service to website	Name of GSO Date	Andrew Charlwood 14.05.2013
12. Head of Service informed report is published	Name of GSO Date	Andrew Charlwood 14.05.2013
Key decisions only:		
13. Expiry of call-in period	Date	N/A
14. Report circulated for call-in purposes to Business Management OSC members & copied to Cabinet Members & Head of Service	Name of GSO Date	

1. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS

1.1 None

2. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

2.1 This service supports corporate priorities of the Council's Corporate Plan 2013- 2016:

- Promote responsible growth, development and success across the borough
- Support families and individuals that need it – promoting independence, learning and wellbeing
- Improve the satisfaction of residents and businesses with the London Borough of Barnet as a place to live, work and study.

3. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

3.1 I do not consider the request involved is likely to raise significant levels of public concern or give rise to policy considerations as this is funded entirely from The Big Lottery Fund and will not affect any existing council budget.

4. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

4.1 Under current Equalities legislation the Council and all other organisations exercising public functions on its behalf are required, when exercising such functions, to have due regard to the need to: i) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, and any other conduct that is prohibited under the Equality Act 2010; ii) advance equality of opportunity between those with a protected characteristic and those without; iii) promote good relations between those with a protected characteristic and those without. The relevant protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation. It also covers marriage and civil partnership with regard to eliminating discrimination.

This duty, also, applies to a person, who is not a public authority but who exercises public functions and therefore must, in the exercise of those functions, have due regard to the general equality duty. This includes any organisation contracted by a local authority to provide services on its behalf.

4.2 The Community Space Challenge supports our equalities duty and is an inclusive programme for highly vulnerable young people aged between 8 to 17 who are at risk of offending or anti social behaviour in the Graham Park area. The Community Space Challenge provides services to young

people of all faiths and cultures and are committed to ensuring that there is equality of service provision to all

- 4.3 In March 2013 33.3% of young people registered with the Youth & Community Service were Not in Employment, Education or Training (NEET) of which 20 young people were based in the Graham Park area. Catch 22 can help support these young people into Education, Employment and training, to support them to achieve better outcomes.

5. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 5.1 This proposed extension of contract is funded entirely from a grant from the Big Lottery Fund and will not affect any existing council budget.
- 5.2 The £17,000 of funding for delivery of programmes for one year is received into the Youth Offending budget before invoices are paid.
- 5.3 The function of the council in respect of this contract is to be the conduit through which this funding can support Catch-22 to continue to work on the Grahame Park Estate with vulnerable and at risk young people meeting the current outcomes, but also to enhance delivery in the areas identified as a result of the Supporting Change funding.
- 5.4 ICT & Property Implications – None

6. LEGAL ISSUES

- 6.1 None

7. CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS

- 7.1 Council's Constitution, Part 3, Responsibility for Functions, Section 6.1 provides that Chief Officers can take decisions without consultation with the Cabinet Member concerned where it is a decision authorised to be taken by the Chief Officer under the Contract Procedure Rules and is not significant in terms of budget or policy.
- 7.2 Council's Constitution, Contract Procedure Rules, Section 5.6 details the authorisation and acceptance thresholds for contract extensions. The following rules apply to contract extensions:
- The initial contract was based on a competitive tender or quotations;
 - The initial contract has not been extended before; and
 - The value of the extension is less than half the cost of the existing contract without the extension and has a budget allocation.

8 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 8.1 Catch 22 is a registered charity with the function of promoting and developing and sustaining solutions to crime and antisocial behaviour.
- 8.2 The Big Lottery Fund has allocated a grant to Catch-22 to deliver Community Space Challenge, a national initiative to provide opportunities for young people aged between 8-17 who are at risk of offending or anti social behaviour.
- 8.3 The contract is linked to the Borough's Youth Offending Service and 'Barnet Action 4 Youth'. The contract was created in July 2007 for a period of 5 years, which expires on 30 September 2012. The extension of contract agreement is to run from this period, and will expire on 31 August 2013.
- 8.4 The Big Lottery Fund supports projects and organisations aimed at providing communities with support in dealing with the effects of poverty, crime and antisocial behaviour, and the "Supporting Impact" is the funding mechanism by which existing projects and initiatives are bolstered and developed on an ongoing basis.
- 8.5 Catch 22, as part of their commitment to fulfil the terms of the grant, will generate at least 20% of all referrals coming from the Youth Offending Service.
- 8.6 Between 1st October 2012 and 31 August 2013, Barnet Youth Offending Service thus agrees to undertake the following actions as outlined in the Supporting Impact delivery plan:
 - To deliver Community Space Challenge in partnership with Barnet Action 4 Youth as outlined in the partnership agreement between Barnet Youth Offending Service and Barnet Action 4 Youth.
 - To use the findings of the evaluation report commissioned through Supporting Change funding to develop a delivery plan for delivery of Community Space Challenge throughout the period of this contract.
 - To refer a minimum of 7 young people to the service provided by Barnet Action 4 Youth
 - To support Barnet Action 4 Youth in delivering the following outcomes:
To engage at least 35 young people, ensuring that at least 20% of participants are referrals from the Youth Offending Team and that at least 30% of participants gain accredited awards for their involvement
To develop a business plan for the future delivery of CSC in Barnet beyond 31 August 2013.
 - To provide the appropriate information to ensure that all reporting requirements are met.

9. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9.1 None

10. OFFICER'S DECISION

I authorise the following action:

- 10.1 Catch 22 Community Space Challenge to continue from 1 October 2012 to 31 August 2013 which is funded entirely from a grant from The Big Lottery Fund**

Signed

Flo Armstrong

Head of Youth and Community

Date

9 May 2013
