

NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL

**DECISION OF COUNCILLOR JAN BARBER
THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG
PEOPLE'S SERVICES with advice from the
DIRECTOR OF PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES**



DECISION NO: P&C79

SUBJECT: Family Group Conferencing Service Contract

DECISION: To approve a contract award

BACKGROUND:

Family Group Conferencing has been provided by North Somerset Council to families for over 13 years and mainly serviced by the Childcare Social Work Teams.

Previous Executive Member approval was given in January 2017 (P&C53) to outsource the Family Group Conferencing Service and hold a competitive Open Tender exercise to find a suitable external provider.

Two bidders submitted an application for this tender exercise. Evaluation of the tender has been undertaken and a decision is now being requested to award the contract to Day Break (Registered Charity Number 1077607 and Company Number 3780726) for a period of 3 years with the option to extend by a further 2 years.

Reasons:

Both bids were evaluated for price and quality using a price/quality ratio of 50/50 as stated in the tender documents. The quality elements were assessed by a multi-disciplinary panel and the price elements were evaluated by Corporate Accountancy.

Both bidders were evaluated against the tender documents, Finance, Equalities & Diversity, Sustainability and Health & Safety.

The multi-disciplinary panel assessed Day Break's bid as meeting all of the requirements of the service specification with a score of:

Price	46.33%
Quality	38.75%
Total	85.08%

It is therefore recommended that the contract be awarded to Day Break.

Other alternatives considered:

None available.

Financial implications:

The contract value is £300,000 across the 5 years with an annual contract value of £60,000.

There are no negative financial implications by completing the tender exercise, as outlined and approved in the previous Executive Member decision.

Implications for Future Years:

There are no implications for future years. The decision to extend will be based upon the Provider's performance and outcomes they have achieved during the three year Initial Contract Term.

Signed:
Councillor Jan Barber
Executive Member for Children and Young People's Services

Dated:

Reviewed:
Gerald Hunt, Head of Commissioning

Dated:

Confirmation of advice given:

Signed:
Sheila Smith
Director, People and Communities

Dated: