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Date: 27th February 2015

Dear John,

Re: Commissioning for Building Resilient Families and Communities and Young People's Positive Activities

I am pleased to confirm that Staffordshire County Council (the 'County Council') has assigned the overall sum of £59,954.79 to help in the local commissioning for young people's positive activities and Building Resilient Families and Communities. This is to cover the first round of successful applications but it has been agreed that the total amount allocated to the commissioning prospectus would be £141,000.00.

This assigned sum has been identified from monies generated from the Building Resilient Families and Communities Payment by Results Monies.

Give this approach is about getting the best value from various sums of money, with dual or joint outcomes to be delivered, the County Council believe for audit purposes, it is best for the County Council to give its commitment of spend by way of this letter at this time. Newcastle-Under-Lyme Borough Council will act as the Accountable Body for the Locality Commissioning Board (the LCB) and will put together tender documents to commission the outcomes of the County Council and other relevant organisations. In doing so the required outcomes for Building Resilient Families and Communities and Young People's Positive activities will be highlighted during the production of the prospectus and subsequent award of contracts.

The County Council will need to agree the prospectus of outcomes to go out with the tenders to ensure it meets the required outcomes. This is largely for audit purposes as the County Council would expect to then be able to be appraised of any performance monitoring via the County Council's representative(s) on the LCB. The County Council hope this approach will

- (1) Give some assurance of money available and then;
- (2) Create a fast track for money to be transferred to the Accountable Body as soon as possible, but with the aforementioned audit trail.

Once Newcastle-Under-Lyme Borough Council has identified providers through the tendering process who will deliver the outcomes required by the County Council; Newcastle-Under-Lyme Borough Council will only invoice the County Council for the funding to meet the young people's positive activities and Building Resilient Families and Communities which have been identified.

Finally the County Council recognises and accepts that such activities to support delivery of the outcomes may be wide in nature but of course still need to deliver young people's positive activities and Building Resilient Families and Communities outcomes. However the overall benefits will be expected to be shown to the reasonable satisfaction of the LCB/Strategic Partnership Board (as applicable) at the end of the financial year, however supported by quarterly monitoring of activity linked to the outcome areas. It is also expected that the County Council will be kept apprised of spend outcomes at the LCB/Strategic Partnership Board (as applicable).

Yours faithfully



Mark Hewitt
District Commissioning Lead

We confirm that we agree to and accept the above terms for and on behalf of

Name of Organisation:

Name of Representative:

Position:

Date:

