


CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER	
DECISION RECORD – CPCC 2025-012	
Subject	Variation to Six-Force Sexual Assault Referral Services Contract
Decision	Sign the contract variation to extend the Mountain Healthcare Provision
Decision Summary	<p>Overview - A fair and transparent tender process was run by 7F Commercial Services, supported by the OPCC, to award a contract to deliver SARS services across six forces, (Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire, Essex, Norfolk and Suffolk). This contract began in April 2024 and runs until 31 March 2028 with the option of three x 12 month extensions to 31 March 2031. Decision notice CPCC 2024-010 refers.</p> <p>The original contract was based on a 12 hour with 3 hours additional flexibility of service to ensure that in the ‘rare’ cases of a forensic window closing there is a mechanism to invoke an additional 3 hours outside of the 9pm window. The service was commissioned within the police and ringfenced NHSE budget.</p> <p>Since the service was commissioned NHSE has committed to fund the extension of the opening hours of one SARC in the region to 24/7 until the end of the initial contract term (31 March 2028). This will enable victims to have a choice whether they access a forensic examination/healthcare straight away or make an appointment at their local facility. This extended provision also includes enhanced clinic hours for children and young people and includes some additional all age healthcare elements. The location of the 24/7 facility will be chosen based on conversations with the commissioned provider. The annual cost of the extension will be £856,764 per annum with mobilisation costs of £84,796 in year one.</p> <p>Sexual Assault Referral Services offer confidential medical and practical support to victims of rape or serious sexual assault. Cambridgeshire’s SARC is called The Elms and is based on the Hinchingsbrooke Hospital site. The Elms – SARC</p>
Recommendation	Recommendation for the Commissioner is to sign the Contract Variation

Officer Approval	Chief Executive/Monitoring I have been consulted about the decision and I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.
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Darryl Preston, Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	
I confirm that I have reached the above decision after consideration of the facts. I confirm that I do not have any personal or prejudicial interests in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner. I approve the recommendation above.	
Signature: 	Date: 03/07/2025