

## RECORD OF INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE DECISION MADE BY AN OFFICER

Decision Maker	Decision Type	Date
Nasir Dad – Director of Environment Neil Consterdine – Director of Communities	Administrative Decision	

**Exemption from the Contract Procurement Rules and grant of a new 6 month contract for the RSI (Rough Sleeping Initiative) Navigator services to Sanctuary Trust from 1st April 2026 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2026.**

Exempt/Confidential Report	<b>3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) -</b>	
Key Decision <sup>1</sup>		

**Decision (s)** <sup>2</sup> To seek an exemption under rule 21 of the Council’s Contract Procedure Rules (CPRs) in respect of the procurement procedures and grant a new 6 month contract for the provision of RSI Navigator services with Sanctuary Trust

**Decision A:**

That the Delegated Officer approves Decision A of Option 1, and that using the exemption powers under rule 21 of the CPRs, the Delegated Officer waives the requirement to comply with rule 4 of the CPRs, which would enable Decision B to be made by the Delegated Officer.

**Decision B:**

Subject to approval of the recommendation under Decision 1 of Option 1, to directly award and enter a new contract for the provision of RSI Navigator services with the Sanctuary Trust for 6 months from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2026 at a value of £25,614 (this includes a personalization fund of £1,500).

<sup>1</sup> If the decision is Key Please use Key Decision Template.

<sup>2</sup> Brief details of the decision should be inserted. This note must set out the substance of the decision, options considered and the reason for deciding on the chosen option, although care must be taken not to disclose any confidential or exempt information. Please include proposed timescales for commencement and / or completion of implementation as appropriate.

### **Reasons for the decision(s)<sup>3</sup>**

The most recent grant award of RSI Navigator funding is made by GMCA and runs from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2029.

The RSI Navigator service ensures that we are working towards ending rough sleeping within the borough and is based on assisting with the delivery of the three principles identified in the Oldham Rough Sleeping Plan;

1. Prevention - Stopping people sleeping rough for the first time.
2. Intervention – Support to those currently sleeping rough to move off the streets.
3. Recovery – Support to those who have slept rough to ensure they don't return to the streets

The appointed RSI Navigator provider is tasked with sourcing accommodation and building effective networks of support for rough sleepers in the borough.

The RSI Navigator provider is key to tenancy sustainment for the cohort of identified entrenched rough sleepers. The ongoing support provided by the RSI Navigator provider continues with service users through their journey in temporary accommodation schemes such as A Bed Every Night (ABEN) and stays with them when they are housed in an independent tenancy, in either the social or private sector.

3 eligible bids were received for the advertised opportunity to deliver an RSI Navigator service between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, bids were evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria, with weightings of:

- 90% Technical Capacity
- 10% Social Value

### **Options/Alternatives considered <sup>4</sup>**

#### **Option 1**

Decision A: Approve an exemption in respect of rule 4 of the Contract Procurement Rules by utilising rule 21 of the CPRs, and

Decision B: subject to approval of Decision A, directly award and enter a 6-month contract to the value of £25,614 with the Sanctuary Trust Limited for the provision of the RSI Navigator services from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2026.

#### **Option 2**

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<sup>3</sup> Reasons for the decision must be given.

<sup>4</sup> Options must be given.



Do not approve an exemption of the requirements of rule 4 of the Contract Procedure Rules by utilising rule 21 of the CPRs.

This means that no request for a direct contract award to Sanctuary Trust Limited could be made and that any appointment of a service provider to deliver the RSI Navigator services until 31 March 2029 would be subject to the Council’s Contract Procedure Rules. There would be a gap in service whilst the council re-procured the services. This option may cause unnecessary disruption to the service, the cohort and objectives of the funding. There is an additional risk that no submissions would be received for such a small contract value. It is therefore not recommended that this option is pursued.

**Option 3**

Deliver in-house: Oldham Council would face significant staffing resource issues with statutory service delivery, which we are legally obliged to provide if this is considered a viable option. It is therefore not recommended that this option is pursued.

**Conflict of Interest declared<sup>5</sup> None**

*N. Constable*

**(Signature of Director)**

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**(In consultation with relevant Cabinet Member if required)**

**Decision made pursuant to:**

- a) General delegation under the Council’s officer scheme of delegation. Non-contract decisions up to £250k.**

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<sup>5</sup> If none, please state none. No Member having a disclosable pecuniary interest or officer having an interest in any matter (whether pecuniary or otherwise required to be declared) should take a decision in relation to that matter. Other interests of a non-disqualifying nature should be recorded here. Any dispensation in place in relation to the matter should also be recorded here. This may include other elected Members, officers, stakeholders and the local community.