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### **Purpose of the paper**

For Information

### **Background and context**

HM has always worked with people experiencing crisis and had the opportunity to formalise this in 2017, when the Crisis Care Concordat gave impetus for Calderdale CCG to engage Healthy Minds to develop Safespace: it launched in February 2018 as a user co-designed crisis service, offering out-of-hours emotional support during weekend evenings.

The CCG gave notice in 2019 that it intended putting the service out to tender, with a new service mobilisation date of April 2020. The procurement would be handled by Voluntary Action Calderdale. The process was eventually published in February 2020, with a submission date of 21<sup>st</sup> April, and an intended mobilisation date of July.

The CCG confirmed continuation of funding for HM to deliver the service, between end March 2019, and new service mobilisation.

The CCG approved funding for interim extension of HM to a seven evening a week service, in response to coronavirus pandemic. The interim extension launched, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

The board agreed, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020, to submit a proposal in response to the tender, and for Paul Hunt and Jonathan Morrish to sign the submission off, on behalf of the board.

### **Where are we now?**

Jonny Richardson Glenn, with input from Di Darby, Operational Manager, and Kath Crowther, Safespace Project Manager, developed the submission between February and April 2020. This included submission of internal drafts for Paul Hunt, Jen Fagan and Jonathan Morrish to review.

### **What are the key issues?**

The funding envelope is, predictably, tight. The staff hours for new proposed service, but the operating hours have been reduced slightly, in order to handle the increased volume of calls. Each call or service user visit requires time for follow up, safeguarding review, recording and debrief. The submission includes (section 8) comment regarding funding.

The proposal is very similar to the current service. There are opportunities for improvement to the current service within the proposal. The CCG specification intends an enhanced steering group. If the steering group is successfully established, then there will be an

opportunity for enhancing information flows, and working towards resources for further enhanced service.

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**What is asked of trustees?**

Review of the attached submission.

**Finance**

If HM's bid is unsuccessful then there may be TUPE of staff and/or redundancy costs.

If HM's bid is successful then there will be increased revenue income and cost, following mobilisation of the new service.

**Recommendation**

The board is asked to note the submission and key issues.