

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Victims Fund – June 2015 application

Decision number: 099/2015

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Protective Marking: Part One

Executive Summary

In October 2014, the Police and Crime Commissioner took responsibility for commissioning support services for victims of crime to help them cope and recover.

For the financial year of 2015/16 the PCC was allocated £1,276,567 by the Ministry of Justice for the commissioning and/or provision of emotional and practical support services for victims' of crime.

In June 2015, two applications for grant funding to provide specialist services to victims of crime were received. Of these applications, one was approved and one has been deferred for further scoping with the service provider.

A total of £5,400 in grant funding was awarded.

Applications

The following provides an overview of the grant application received and recommended for approval:

1. Surrey Police

To award £5,400 to Surrey Police for the provision of a pocket book guide to investigating child sexual exploitation for all officers and staff in frontline teams. The guide outlines signs, symptoms and tackles myths. The practical guidance and legislative information will assist frontline officers and staff and help to answer the question "What can I do if I know or suspect someone is a victim?"

Recommendation

The Commissioner supports the recommendations of the Victim Fund Panel and awards to the following;

Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):

- To award £5,400 to Surrey Police for the provision of a pocket book guide to investigating child sexual exploitation.



Signature:

Date: 02/07/2015

All decisions must be added to the decision register.

Areas of consideration

Consultation

Consultation has taken place with appropriate lead officers depending on the application. All applications have been asked to supply evidence of any consultation and community engagement.

Financial implications

All applications have been asked to supply accurate financial information including the total costs of the project with breakdown where the money will be spent; any additional funding secured or applied for and plans for on-going funding. The Victims Fund Decision Panel considers the financial risks and opportunities when looking at each application.

Legal

Legal advice is taken on an application by application basis.

Risks

The Victims Fund Decision Panel considers any risks in the allocation of funding. It is also part of the process to consider when refusing an application the service delivery risks if appropriate.

Equality and diversity

Each application will be requested to supply appropriate equality and diversity information as part of the monitoring requirements. All applicants are expected to adhere to the Equality Act 2010

Risks to human rights

Each application will be requested to supply appropriate human rights information as part of the monitoring requirements. All applicants are expected to adhere to the Human Rights Act.

Data protection and safeguarding

Applicants must comply with the current national and local legal framework with regard adult and child safeguarding, information sharing, and data protection including compliance with Local Safeguarding Children Board's policies and procedures and any obligations that may ensue as a result of a child being made subject to a Child Protection Plan.