

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Victims Fund – March 2016 applications

Decision number: 125/2016

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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 March 2015, 3 applications for grant funding to provide specialist services to victims of crime were received. Of these applications, two were approved. One application was unsupported.

A total of £65,000 in grant funding was awarded.

Applications

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

1. East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

To award £40,000 to East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service (Lead Provider) to provide 8 additional MARAC IDVA hours in each of the 4 Specialist DA services per week.

2. Women's Support Centre Surrey

To award £25,000 to the Women's Support Centre Surrey for the delivery of specialist counselling intervention for women who, in addition to their involvement in the criminal justice system, have also been the victims of crime or abuse.

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 £40,000 to East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service to provide 8 additional MARAC IDVA hours in each of the 4 Specialist DA services per week.
- To award £25,000 to Women's Support Centre Surrey for the delivery of specialist counselling intervention for women who, in addition to their involvement in the criminal justice system, have also been the victims of crime or abuse.

Signature:



Date:

09/03/2016

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.