

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Victims Fund – March 2017 applications

Decision number: 005/2017

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Protective Marking: Part One

1.0 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 2016/17 the PCC was allocated £1,372,554 by the Ministry of Justice for the commissioning and/or provision of emotional and practical support services for victims' of crime.

2 applications for small grant funding to provide specialist services to victims of crime have been agreed by the Commissioner.

A total of **£14,100** in grant funding was awarded.

2.0 Applications

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

a) Reigate & Banstead Women's Aid Refuge

To award **£4,100** to undertake essential security work, recommended by the Police.

b) RASASC

The OPCC funds the provision of a Child Independent Sexual Violence Adviser (CISVA), based out of CAMHS. During 2016/17 there was a gap in service due to the resignation of the post-holder. During this period RASASC provided cover, supporting 32 children and young people, aged 13-17. The OPCC has agreed to provide a one-off payment of **£5,000** to RASASC, to offset the costs incurred during this period.

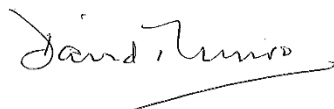
c) North Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

To award **£5,000** to enhance the services to victims of domestic abuse in the Elmbridge area through the recruitment and training of new volunteers who will be able to provide longer term sustained support that will assist victims in their recovery.

3.0 Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendations as detailed in **Section 2.0** of this report.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Tunnicliffe", with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

Date: 13 March 2017

(All decisions must be added to the decision register.)

4.0 Areas of consideration

4.1 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.

4.2 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.

4.3 Legal

Legal advice is taken on an application by application basis.

4.4 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.

4.5 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

4.6 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.

4.7 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.