

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Victims Fund

Decision number: 007/2020

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Protective Marking: Part One

1.0 Executive Summary

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

For the financial year 2019/20 the PCC was allocated £1,367,464 by the Ministry of Justice for the commissioning and/or provision of emotional and practical support services for victims' of crime. The PCC has provided a further £27,349 of funding from his own budget to top up this sum, providing a total Victim Services Commissioning budget of £1,394,813. Additional funding has been made available through the PCC's operational reserve.

2.0 Agreed funding

Domestic Abuse Services:

Service: DA Outreach Advocate Pilot

Provider: North Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

Grant: £21,000

Summary: To allow continuation of the DA Outreach Advocate pilot. The post holder will be based in Staines police station working alongside officers in the Area Policing Teams and Safeguarding Investigation Unit to better support victims of domestic abuse.

Service: MARAC Uplift

Provider: East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

Grant: £46,720

Summary: The Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) brings local agencies together to discuss the highest risk victims of domestic abuse and is critical to murder prevention. This funding was collating from Districts and Boroughs in Surrey and then ported to ESDAS.

Rape & Sexual Assault Services:

Service: Counselling Uplift

Provider: RASASC

Grant: £63,000

Summary: Due to significant demand RASASC temporarily closed their waiting list for their counselling services. This money will help to recruit new counsellors and ensure victims receive the level of support required for them.

CSE Services:

Service: STARS DVD

Provider: Surrey Borders and Partners NHS Trust

Grant: £550

Summary: The production of a new DVD which is aimed to gather the views of children, young people and their carers about their experience of the pathway for sexual assault victims. This will include their views about every stage of the process, their experiences of professionals, the impact of the abuse and the help they subsequently receive. This can then be used in training for professionals and can contribute child's voices to the strategic development of services.

Service: CSE Missing and Exploited Coordinator

Provider: Surrey County Council

Grant: £30,000

Summary: To support partnership activity in relation to child sexual exploitation, missing and exploited.

Referral Services:

Service: Victim and Witness Care Unit Contribution

Provider: Surrey Police

Grant: £458,000

Summary: Delivery of the internal victim and witness care unit

Service: Victim and Witness Care Unit Training

Provider: Surrey Police

Grant: £3,085.64

Summary: Training for VAWCU staff

Service: SMS Package for Victim and Witness Care Unit

Provider: SmartSurvey

Grant: £1,600

Summary: Purchase of 32,000 SMS messages to allow the VAWCU to contact victims of crime (6p. per message)

Other:

Service: Victim Navigator

Provider: Justice and Care

Grant: £14,750

Summary: An Independent Victim Navigator to work in partnership with the Public Protection Unit, Surrey Police to provide specialist support to victims of modern slavery in Surrey

Service: Modern Slavery Helpline Contribution

Provider: Unseen

Grant: £5,000

Summary: To support delivery of the national modern slavery helpline.

Service: The National Stalking Helpline

Provider: Suzy Lamplugh Trust

Grant: £2,000

Summary: Donation to support the resourcing of the national stalking helpline.

Service: Sex Industry Conference

Provider: Surrey Police

Grant: £1,000

Summary: Conference hosted by Surrey Police to train and increase awareness/knowledge of officers in their investigations and to support potential victims of sexual exploitation.

Service: POLIT Leaflets – Family Pack

Provider: Surrey Police

Grant: £408

Summary: POLIT identifies families (partners and child) left behind when an offender has been caught who need significant support. The booklet has been designed to encompass all the necessary information to inform victims of the next steps and signpost them to agencies for support. This amount is for 1000 leaflets.

Service: Site Survey

Provider: Vodafone

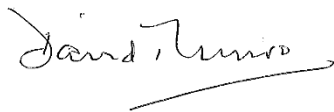
Grant: £453

Summary: To ensure that location infrastructure and connectivity is satisfactory for Video Enabled Justice.

3.0 Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

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

Signature:



Date: 03/03/2020

(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 confirm the organisation hold accurate financial information. They are also asked to include 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 Community Safety Fund Decision Panel/ Community Safety and Victims policy officers considers the financial risks and opportunities when looking at each application.

Legal

Legal advice is taken on an application by application basis.

Risks

The Community Safety Fund Decision Panel and policy officers 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.