Reference No: 2016-13470



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For formal PCC approval following agreement on 22 September 2016

Title: Childhood Sexual Abuse Support 2016/17 - Eva Women's Aid

Executive Summary:

During the financial year 2014/15 and 2015/16 a £4.85m budget for Child Sexual Abuse support service was administered through the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk to allow increased capacity of the specialist support services in recognition of the unprecedented increase in need. One local service provider from the Cleveland area was successful in this process. In 2016/17 the Ministry of Justice remained committed to supporting the increasing demand in this area and decided that this funding would be provided to Police and Crime Commissioners to administer locally based on local need.

Within Cleveland service providers have seen at least a 50% increase in the number of victims coming forward for support with those affected by childhood abuse, on average requiring more counselling sessions to aid their recovery. Therefore the Police and Crime Commissioner would like to utilise this funding to increase the counselling provision locally to support those clients who are impacted by Child Sexual Abuse (CSA). The aim being to ensure victims are provided the opportunity for counselling support in a more timely manner.

Decision:

To provide funding to Eva Women's aid to the sum of £22,850 to increase capacity within the counselling service for a 6 month period (1 October 2016 - 31 March 2017) to support victims affected by Child Sexual Abuse (CSA). The overall aim being to reduce the current waiting list and to enable victims to access support in a timely manner.

OPCC Lead Officer: Rachelle Kipling			
Contractor Details (if applicable): Eva Women's A	id		
Implications:			
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No	
Financial			
Legal			
Equality & Diversity			
Human Rights			
Sustainability			
Risk			
(If yes please provide fu	urther details	s below)	

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Decision Required – Supporting Information

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC's Chief Finance Officer where the decision has financial implications)

The financial implications of this decision are affordable within the 2016/17 budget that was agreed by the PCC in February 2016.

Legal Implications: (Must include comments of the Monitoring Officer where the decision has legal implication)

Grant arrangement pursuant to the PCC's commissioning powers set out in s143 of the Antisocial Behaviour, Policing Act 2014.

Having read this report and having considered such information as has been provided at the time of being asked to express this view, the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer is satisfied that this report does not ask the PCC to make a decision which would (or would be likely to) give rise to a contravention of the law).
Equality and Diversity Implications
None arise.
Human Rights Implications
None arise.
Sustainability Implications
This funding is for a period of 6 months and will come to an end on 31 March 2017. Future arrangements for counselling provision including waiting lists will be discussed at the Custody Healthcare, Liaison & diversion & SARC Partnership Board
Risk Management Implications
None arise.
OFFICER APPROVAL
Monitoring Officer
I have been consulted about the decision and confirm that financial, legal, and equalities advice
has been taken into account. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Grime Commissioner.
Signed January Date 13/12/16

Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed Date 14 12 16