### Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

#### **Victims Fund**

Decision number: 007/2019

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Protective Marking: Official

## 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.

In accordance with the Police and Crime Commissioner's Commissioning Strategy, a proportion of this funding is set aside at the start of the financial year to support a number of 'core services'. This paper sets out these grants.

# 2.0 Agreed funding

#### **Domestic Abuse Services:**

**Service:** Domestic Abuse Outreach Service

**Provider:** East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

**Grant:** £103,150<sup>1</sup>

**Summary:** Provision of specialist domestic abuse Outreach Services across

Surrey.

**Service:** Domestic Abuse Freedom Programme

**Provider:** East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

**Grant:** £10,000

**Summary:** To run the Freedom Programme and other appropriate group work for

individuals who are or who have experienced domestic abuse and/or

violence within their homes or relationships

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> £53,150 of this was provided from the Victim's Fund, and the remaining £50,000 from the Community Safety Fund

Service: SDVC Support

**Provider:** East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

**Grant:** £92,816

Summary: Provision of Independent Domestic Violence Adviser (IDVA) services

within Surrey Specialist Domestic Violence Court (SDVC).

**Service:** DVDS / DVPO Support

**Provider:** East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

**Grant:** £45,000

**Summary:** Provision of specialist DA Outreach Services to support the Domestic

Violence Disclosure Scheme (DVDS) & Domestic Violence Protection

Notices & Orders (DVPN/O) Processes.

**Service:** Children & Young People DA Service

**Provider:** East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

**Grant:** £77,436

**Summary:** To work with children & young people (5 - 16 years) who have

experienced and/or witnessed domestic abuse and to provide support services that will enable them to make sense of their experiences, come to terms with their situation and develop and grow in self-

esteem and confidence.

**Service:** MARAC IDVA Service

**Provider:** East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service

**Grant:** £40,000

**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. A MARAC Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) will contact each MARAC case before the meeting, attend the meeting and draw attention to key risks and issues from the survivor's perspective and suggest appropriate actions, ensuring they are safe. This funding will provide 8 additional MARAC IDVA hours in each of the 4 Specialist DA services per week.

**Service:** Refuge Children Worker

**Provider:** YourSanctuary

**Grant:** £15,000

**Summary:** To provide a specialist in-refuge children's service to help families

recover from the abuse they have experienced.

Service: Refuge Children Worker

Provider: Reigate & Banstead Women's Aid

**Grant:** £19,394

**Summary:** To provide a specialist in-refuge children's service to help families

recover from the abuse they have experienced.

Service: DA Helpline

**Provider:** YourSanctuary

**Grant:** £22,000

Summary: To support continued delivery and development of Surrey's dedicated

DA Helpline.

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:** Refuge Transition Funding

**Provider:** YourSanctuary

**Grant:** £5,000

**Summary:** To provide a transition fund so that families attending the refuge can

be provided with a pack of basic living essentials on arrival that they

can take with them when they move on to independent living.

**Service:** Refuge Transition Funding

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be provided with a pack of basic living essentials on arrival that they

can take with them when they move on to independent living.

# Rape & Sexual Assault Services:

Service: Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA) Service

Provider: RASASC

**Grant:** £127,635

Summary: Local ISVAs support male and female victims of rape and sexual

abuse providing both practical and emotional support whether the assault was recent, non-recent or historic and whether the victim

wishes to report the crime to the police or not.

**Service:** Confidence Group, Helpline Training & Supervision

Provider: RASASC

**Grant:** £28,000

**Summary:** Annual programme of confidence building workshops with victims,

plus training and staff supervision for helpline volunteers.

### **CSE Services:**

Service: Children Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (CISVA) Service

**Provider:** Surrey Borders and Partners NHS Trust

**Grant:** £114,503.32

**Summary:** Sexual violence of any kind is a traumatic experience and for children

and young people can have dramatic repercussions for the rest of their lives. The child ISVA is focused on this practical, supportive role, acting as an independent advocate for the child/young person and

providing support for historic and recent allegations.

Service: WiSE Worker Project

**Provider:** YMCA Downslink Group

**Grant:** £112,934

Summary: Using a relationship based approach, the WiSE Project Workers will

deliver targeted interventions to children & young people who are

victims of sexual exploitation (or considered at significant risk).

## 3.0 Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

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

# Signature:

Date: 1 April 2019

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