

# POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE *DECISION RECORD*

To be completed in cases where a decision is required

## DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

**Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**Officers present:**

**Received in OPCC Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**OPCC Ref:** EXE0004 /20

**Title:** Therapeutic Support

### Summary of Issue:

The current Domestic and Sexual violence and abuse (DSVA) service is co commissioned by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Leicester City Council, Leicestershire County Council and Rutland County Council and delivered by a consortium (United Against Violence and Abuse (UAVA)) made up of three organisations; Freeva, Living Without Abuse and Women's Aid Leicester. The contract commenced in January 2016 and is due to end March 2021. Within the current contract, UAVA have a subcontracting arrangement with local providers to deliver therapeutic support services to victims. This area of provision has always been oversubscribed and in 2018 an initiative (through the Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) funding) sought to address some of these issues by undertaking a deep dive exercise and the recruitment of a therapeutic support coordinator, this work is due to conclude in March 2020. The Therapeutic Support Coordinator role was funded through the VAWG fund via a grant contract between the PCC and FreeVa.

Over the last 18 months co-commissioners have been working to redesign the whole domestic and sexual violence and abuse service model. The increased demand on therapeutic support for victims continues, additional monies have been allocated by the PCC (subject to a separate decision record) to three local subcontracted therapeutic support providers to try and alleviate some of this service pressure.

Co commissioners have collectively agreed to fund the Therapeutic Support Counselling Coordinator for a further 12 months to allow this role to continue and so that it aligns with the recommissioning and procurement timeline for the new service.

Co commissioners have agreed to funding as in the table below.

### Recommendation(s) presented:

To extend the current VAWG Therapeutic Support Coordinator grant contract

To agree the funding of this role as set out in Table 1 below:

**Table 1.**

<b>Co commissioning organisation</b>	<b>Agreed funding (£)</b>
Leicester City Council	18,000
Leicestershire County Council	15,000
Rutland County Council	2,000
Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire	500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35,500</b>

**Key discussion points**

The above 2 areas were taken forward for discussion and approval.

**OFFICE OF PCC APPROVAL**

**Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer:**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner

**Signature:** 

**Name:** Paul Hindson

**Date:**10/04/20

**Publication Scheme**

**Decision of Monitoring Officer:**

As Monitoring Officer for the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire I have determined that:

It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Commissioner : **Yes**

It is appropriate to publish the contents of the report proposing this course of action prepared by either of the senior post holders in the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire (i.e. either the Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer) : **Yes**

It is appropriate to publish details of the decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire : **Yes**

**Reasons for any non Publication (referencing appropriate legislation):** None

**Signature:**



**Name: Angela Perry**

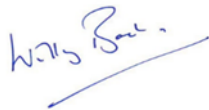
**Date: 30 March 2020**

**Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire**

Having received the advice set out above and reviewed relevant documentation my decision in regard of this matter is:

**Supported**

**Signature**



**Date: 13 April 2020**