

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE *DECISION RECORD*

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DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Date: 9th April 2020

Officers present: The Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire, Sallie Blair, Simon Down, Liz McDermott

Received in OPCC Date: 15th May 2020

OPCC Ref: EXE0009/20

Title: Domestic Abuse funding in to response Covid-19

Summary of Issue:

It is well understood that Covid-19 is having a detrimental impact on many services and on service users' health and well-being. This decision record relates to one such area of high concern, domestic abuse. It is recognised both nationally and internationally the impact social distancing measures are having upon this group of victims.

To this effect a paper setting out a Domestic Abuse Covid-19 response plan was drafted for consideration by the Police and Crime Commissioner. On 9th April 2020, the Police and Crime Commissioner met with officers present to discuss the detail within the paper.

The paper sets out the impact of Covid-19 on victims (and potential victims) and the likelihood that there will be a spike in demand in the future and the affect this will have upon services. The paper proposes a number of service and commissioning measures to mitigate against this increase in demand and the likely additional call on specialist services.

Of the measues proposed, the Police and Crime Commissioner agreed to fund three of the initiatives as set out below.

Recommendations presented:

Initiative	Delivery organisation	Description	Costs (£)
Supported Bed and breakfast accommodation	Women's Aid Leicestershire Ltd	The funding will be used to provide additional short term refuge provision, more specifically it will used for; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B&B accommodation • Increased hours for the referral co-ordinator and the peripatetic support worker 	15,000

Re-purposing the Hospital Independent Domestic Violence Advocate (IDVA) role to support the wider Women's Aid community based provision across LLR	Women's Aid Leicestershire Ltd	12 months funding to resource the Hospital IDVA role. In the current circumstances the hospital work is currently undeliverable the funding will allow the worker to be able to be a flexible resource as the pandemic unfolds	24,918
Refuge Provision	Women's Aid Leicestershire Ltd	12 months funding to resource a dedicated 8 bedded/space refuge provision in Leicester	58,604
Total			98,522

Key discussion points

The above was 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: 08/10/20

Publication Scheme

Decision of Monitoring Officer:

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

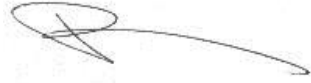
It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Commissioner : YES

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):

Signature:



Name: Angela Perry


Date: 28 May 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: 8/10/20