Reference No: 2018-113778



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For PCC approval.

Title: Funding - Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme

Executive Summary:

The OPCC and Cleveland Police are part of a regional Domestic Abuse Whole Systems Approach project, this contains a series of associated activities, which have been designed to bring about the embedding of a whole system approach and response to domestic abuse across criminal justice domains and through partnerships with multi-agency agencies. By working across criminal justice systems, it is envisaged that, through improved and transformed knowledge, greater co-working between key agencies, and ensuring systems are designed to be accessible, this will enable early identification and good quality support to victims of domestic abuse, and that this will be supported through correlating interventions that are robust with a longer term impact upon reduced reoffending and reduced repeat victimisation. The project's activities include the delivery of a Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme (DAPP). These are behavioural change programmes delivered by specially trained agencies, such as those who manage offenders, or who have gained RESPECT accreditation. The agencies work either on a one-to-one basis, or by group work with perpetrators of domestic abuse. Trained facilitators lead the sessions, and use a programme of theory based work that engenders greater self-awareness with perpetrators, promotes recognition of harm causing behaviours and the adverse impact that this has upon victims, children and the broader community. The sessions help perpetrators to develop strategies for managing their behaviour without resorting to abuse and violence.

Durham Tees Valley Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) propose to deliver a desistance theory based Creating Relationship Change pilot, which meets the requirements for a domestic abuse perpetrator programme, and which it is anticipated will both reduce reoffending, reduce the harm associated with perpetration of domestic abuse, and reduce the likelihood of repeat victimisation. Funding for this initiative is provided by the Home Office Transformation Programme and is in line with achieving the activities included in the project delivery plan.

Durham Tees Valley CRC additionally proposed to deliver this programme across both Cleveland and Durham police force areas (with match funding to be provided by the Durham OPCCV) in order to offer added value to this pilot scheme. It is intended that their delivery of the pilot will make best use of shared arrangement such as the Local Criminal Justice Partnership, and common strategic partners, such as Tees Esk Wear Valley Mental Health Trust, and that if the pilot programme is successful, Durham Tees Valley CRC will look to include delivery of the programme within their 'Rate Card' (schedule of programmes the company delivers) in future with no further cost to the OPCCs.

Decision:

To approve funding of £23,750 to Durham Tees Valley CRC for the provision of a domestic abuse perpetrator programme.

OPCC Lead Officer: Sharon Caddell

Contractor Details (if applicable): Durham Tees Valley Community Rehabilitation Company

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Implications:		
Has consideration been taken of the following: Yes No		
Financial		
Legal		
Equality & Diversity		
Human Rights		
Sustainability		
Risk		
(If yes please provide further details below)		
Decision Required – Supporting Information		
Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC's Chief Finance Officer where the decision has financial implications)		
All costs associated with the decision are funded from the regional Domestic Abuse Whole Systems Approach project grant and the expenditure is in line with the aims of that project and in line with the terms of the grant funding.		
Legal Implications: (Must include comments of the Monitoring Officer where the decision has legal implication)		
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 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		
None arise.		
Risk Management Implications		
None arise.		

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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 Crime Commissioner.		
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Signed Junion Sen	Date 26/11/18	
Police and Crime Commissioner:		
The above request HAS my approval.		
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