



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For PCC approval.			
Title: VCAS Contract Extension April 2018 - March 2020			
<p>Executive Summary: The Police and Crime Commissioners for Cleveland and Durham have made clear their commitment to put victims at the heart of the criminal justice system. They jointly chair the Cleveland and Durham Criminal Justice Partnership and each have Victims Strategic Planning Group meetings to improve victims' services.</p> <p>The PCCs in 2015/16 agreed that due to the changing legislation for victims services, the changing environment for the provision of services and increasing service providers, to tender for a service provider.</p> <p>Safe in Tees Valley was selected to provide the Cleveland and Durham Victim Care and Advice Service. The contract was awarded on 1 April 2016 on a two year basis with the option of extending the contract for a further two years.</p> <p>The Cleveland OPCC and Durham OPCC have reflected on the achievements of the Victim Care and Advice Service (VCAS) over the initial 18 months of service and have been provided with details of activities that have provided additional benefit/value to the core victim service.</p> <p>Safe in Tees Valley have provided a proposal to maintain the cost of the contract whilst also expanding the current service specification.</p>			
Decision: To seek approval for an extension of the current VCAS contract for a further two years until the 31 March 2020 and consider potential changes to the contract that would develop the service.			
OPCC Lead Officer: Joanne Hodgkinson			
Contractor Details (if applicable): Safe in Tees Valley			
Implications:			
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No	
Financial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Legal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Equality & Diversity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Human Rights	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sustainability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Risk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(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)

The total cost of the contract per annum is £579,000. The cost of the contract is shared equally between Cleveland OPCC (£289,500) and Durham OPCVC (£289,500) and sufficient funding is available within the LTFP to fund this contract.

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 apply.

Human Rights Implications

None apply.

Sustainability Implications

None apply.

Risk Management Implications

None apply.

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.

Signed 

Date 6/12/17

Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed 

Date 7/12/17