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TITLE: Extension of sexual violence therapy provision in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire April – December 2020

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The PCC has a responsibility to commission services for victims of crime, and to prioritise the victims of the most serious crime. Victims and survivors of sexual violence require a range of help to cope and recover from crime, including crisis support for recent sexual assault, ISVA, and counselling.

The PCC has been leading work with local public sector agencies for some time to develop a collective co-commissioned approach to therapeutic support for sexual violence survivors in Nottinghamshire. In 2019 he co-commissioned a sexual violence needs assessment with NHS England, which made recommendations for the PCC, local authorities and clinical commissioning groups to develop and fund a new SVA hub and specialist SVA therapeutic support.

The PCC is now working with local authority and clinical commissioning group partners to agree funding for a new jointly funded sexual violence model. It is anticipated that he will be able to commission this later in 2020, with the new service/contract beginning in January 2021.

The PCC has been funding sexual violence therapeutic support on an interim basis for a number of years. In order to ensure no loss of support for sexual violence survivors, he wishes to continue to fund the existing SVA therapeutic support contracts to deliver until 31 December 2020.

The PCC is requested to approve that the following contracts are put in place for the period 1 April to 31 December 2020:

- 1. Two contracts with Notts SVS Services to provide counselling in the city and county value £88,133 and £44,074 respectively;
- 2. A contract with ISAS to provide counselling in the county value £68,924;
- 3. A contract with SHE UK to provide counselling in the county value £56,448;

The contracts will be paid for by MoJ Victims' Services Grant, which includes the MoJ Devolved Rape Support Fund.

INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (e.g report or business case)

The PCC has to date been the largest single funder of specialist SVA therapeutic support in Nottinghamshire. However, the demand for support is so great that he cannot fund the services without the help of other public sector funders. Therefore, he has been leading discussions for

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some time to develop a collective co-commissioned approach to therapeutic support for sexual violence survivors in Nottinghamshire. Funders agreed a new therapeutic support model in January 2020 and funding for the model in March/April 2020. Following this, a procurement exercise for the new model is planned in 2020, with the new service/contract beginning in January 2021.

The PCC inherited increasing amounts of funding for sexual violence support from MoJ and his policy has always been to maintain existing provision, in order to ensure no loss of support for sexual violence survivors. The PCC now wishes to continue to fund the existing provision to deliver until 31 December 2020, to ensure no loss of support until the new service is in place.

Below is a table setting out the funding that has been received to date by each organisation.

Provider	2014-5	2015-6	2016-7	2017-8	2018-9	2019-0
	£	£	3	£	£	£
ISAS	29,187	58,374	91,898	91,898	91,898	91,898
Notts SVS Services	23,400	46,800	80,548	117,500	117,500	117,500
Notts SVS Services Rape Support Fund	0	0	0	0	0	84,000
SHE UK (Rape Support Fund)	0	0	0	0	0	75,264

FINANCIAL INFORMATION (please include if is it capital or revenue or both. What the split is and the totals being requested. Is this a virement/ something already budgeted for or something that requires additional funding. Are there any savings that can be offered up/or achieved)

Revenue funding is requested. The amounts requested are within budget. The demand for sexual violence support has risen and continued investment is required.

Signature:

Chief Finance Officer

Date: 1st June 2000

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OFFICER APPROVAL

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that the 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:

Chief Executive

Date: 2 _ 6.20

DECLARATION:

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below:

The above request has my approval.

Signature:
Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

Date: 7/4/2020

** See guidance on non public information