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Notice of Decision



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POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER

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For Decision or Information	Decision
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TITLE: Home Office Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) Funding 2020/21 – Re-profile

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This decision form seeks a re-profile of the VRU budget for quarters' 3 and 4 of 2020/21 to ensure spend can be maximised to support the core purpose of the VRU in reducing serious violence.

A request will be made to the Home Office in line with the Grant Agreement signed in June 2020.

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

The VRU received £880,000 in 2020/21 to fund the coordination and leadership of countywide violence reduction activity, including the commissioning of interventions and the building of a local evidence base. Due to re-prioritisation and re-scoping, partly as a result of Covid restrictions, the delivery plan has been reviewed to ensure the allocated funding is maximised to benefit the communities of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire.

All proposed activity is in line with the conditions of the original Grant Agreement, is also continues to meet need identified in the Serious Violence Strategic Needs Assessment and the priorities agreed with the Strategic Violence Reduction Board, including:

- Data, intelligence and evidence base
- Trauma informed approaches, personal resilience and contextual safeguarding
- Community capacity building and empowerment
- Mentoring, education, training and employment
- Enforcement, resettlement and rehabilitation

Changes proposed in this decision form will be signed off with the Home Office and included in the refreshed Response Strategy for publication in January 2021.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Funding Stream	Revenue
Home Office Funding 2020/21	£880,000
Carry forward 2019/20	£255,536
Total budget available	£1,135,536

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FORECAST SPEND AGAINST BUDGET 2020/21

VRU Spend	Forecast Jun 2020 (£)	Re-forecast Oct 2020 (£)	Variation (£)	Notes
Commissioned Intervention - Custody Prevention Project	20989	20989	0.00	
Commissioned Intervention - Targeted Youth Outreach	102077	102077	0.00	
Commissioned Intervention - Prison Intervention	50454	3780	-46674.00	Reduced expenditure due to ongoing restrictions in prison
Commissioned Intervention - Redthread at QMC and King's Mill	30000	30000	0.00	
Commissioned Intervention - Trauma informed approach for CYP impacted by knife enabled DV	46500	60000	13500.00	Varied to extend countywide
Commissioned Intervention - Children's Society - One to one interventions	25000	25000	0.00	
Commissioned Intervention - NFCT / Helping Kids Achieve	5000	5000	0.00	
Increasing resilience in young people / trauma informed approaches - workforce development	20000	27000	7000.00	Spend increased to provide countywide workforce and VCS development
Parenting Interventions - workforce development	20000	20000	0.00	
Data Sharing - Data Steering Group, consultancy and facilitation	10000	0	-10000.00	Spend no longer required
Data Sharing - Injury Surveillance Data Dashboard	10368	5000	-5368.00	Reduced expenditure due to re-scoping
Contextual safeguarding pilot	5000	5000	0.00	
Responding to the Impact of social media on violence - training	5000	0	-5000.00	To be provided under existing contract
Youth Work Programme -Workforce development	5000	15000	10000.00	Increased expenditure due to reprioritisation
Mentors in Violence Prevention - Training frontline workers	800	0	-800.00	No longer achievable due to Covid restrictions
Impact of alcohol and cocaine use on violence	5000	0	-5000.00	Reprioritisation of funds to support DV perpetrator research
External research - Local Evaluation (mandatory product)	50000	40000	-10000.00	Funding decreased due to re-scoping
External research - Qualitative research (various)	50000	50000	0.00	
External research - Identification of support for those with SEND	5000	1500	-3500.00	Funding decreased as being delivered by partner organisation

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External research - DV Perpetrator Research (NTU)	5000	5000	0.00	
Review of exclusions in YJ cohort:	5000	1500	-3500.00	Funding decreased as being delivered by partner organisation
Community Ambassadors - Management and remuneration	13750	7830	-5920.00	Funding decreased, no requirement for third party supervision, plus delay in recruitment due to lockdown restrictions
Incubation Hub - Development and implementation	30000	18499	-11501.00	Funding allocated to build capability and capacity in specific VCS organisations
Joint Strategic Assets Assessment:	10000	9989	-11.00	Bid came under budget
Accommodation. IT and equipment	19670	19670	0.00	
Staff	343121	350436	7315.00	Increased to provide additional capacity in the team
Expenses	2090	500	-1590.00	Decreased due to working from home and lack of conferences and training
Conferences, training and events	10000	6410	-3590.00	Decreased due to Covid restrictions limiting conference and events spend
Communications and press services	10200	11839	1639.00	Increased to upscale online / social media presence
Marketing budget	7500	14068	6568.00	Increased to fund offline marketing of social media campaign
Website development	1500	2117	617.00	Increased to upscale online / social media presence
Focus Groups	750	750	0.00	
Next GEN - BLM / Employment Workshops	0	3000	3000.00	Funding reallocated to new intervention
Outreach Bus in Broxtoe and Aspley - Woven Churches	0	2000	2000.00	Funding reallocated to new intervention
Choices and Consequences Exhibit - virtual delivery	0	6046	6046.00	Funding reallocated to new intervention
Extending provision of Cadet Bases & Mini Police	0	10000	10000.00	Funding reallocated to new intervention
VRU Small Grants Fund	154230	154230	0.00	
Allocated to DV Perpetrator Intervention match fund	0	100000	100000.00	Spend TBC
Unallocated funds	56538	1307	-55231.00	Funds allocated
Total Spend (Revenue) (£)*	1135537	1135537	0.00	

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Signature: 
Chief Finance Officer

Date: 12th October 2020

Is any of the supporting information classified as non public or confidential information**?	Yes		No	x
If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance**				

DECISION:

Spend is authorised in line with detail outlined in this decision notice.

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: 13/10/20

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: 14/10/2020

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