

Reference No: 55 - 2016

THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For PCC	approval following	agreement	at the funding	approvals	meeting	held on
25 February 2016						

Title: Independent Sexual Violence Advocate (ISVA) for the Redcar and Cleveland area, working from EVA/Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC)

Executive Summary: EVA currently provides a full ISVA service to Redcar and Cleveland, this being the only ISVA provision in the area as the Local Authority do not currently commission an ISVA service. EVA's ISVA service is currently funded by the Home Office and was match funded by Northern Rock Foundation until August 2015. Cleveland PCC match funded the remainder of the financial year from September 2015 until March 2016, and the Home Office have confirmed funding for 2016 – 17 with a similar match funding arrangement. EVA's ISVA service provides vital support and advocacy to those who have been victims of rape and serious sexual assault. The main referral route for victims is via the SARC, EVA will work closely with the SARC to ensure victims are able to cope and recover from the impact of the crime.

Decision: The PCC considers match funding EVA £20,000 that the Home Office have confirmed they will provide for the year 2016 – 17, commencing 1 April 2016, to provide an ISVA Service in Redcar & Cleveland for any victim of Rape or Sexual Abuse.

OPCC Lead Officer: Joanne Hodgkinson			
Contractor Details (if applicable): EVA Women's	Aid		
Implications:			
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No	
Financial			
Legal			
Equality & Diversity			
Human Rights			
Sustainability			
Risk	M		

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Decision Required – Supporting Information

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC's CFO where the decision has financial implications)

The financial implications of this decision are affordable within the 2016-17 Budget that was approved by the PCC in February 2016.

Legal Implications: (Must include comments of the Monitoring Officer where the decision has legal implication)

Grant arrangement pursuant to the PCC's commissioning powers set out in s143 Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014

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 of Staff 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	

OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive

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

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the Police and Crime Commissioner. Signed:	Date: 25/8/16
Police and Crime Commissioner: The above request HAS my approval.	
Signed:	Date: 27/2//6