



# THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

## DECISION RECORD FORM

<b>REQUEST:</b> For PCC approval.			
<b>Title:</b> My Sister's Place – Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) Funding 2017/18 and 2018/19.			
<b>Executive Summary:</b> My Sister's Place is a specialist domestic violence service based in the Middlesbrough area. My Sister's Place aims to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliver accessible, effective, specialist services that are informed and evaluated by service users experiences promoting individual freedom and quality of life;</li> <li>• Promote and secure equality of access to safety, justice, health and wellbeing and campaign for change to shape future policy and practice</li> <li>• To work with the wider community through education and community involvement to create a cultural shift in attitude to domestic abuse and better equip families to protect their members.</li> </ul> <p>The purpose of this funding is to provide the provision of an Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) based in the Middlesbrough area supporting victims across the whole of Cleveland.</p> <p>The post will sit within a 'One Stop Shop' approach to supporting victims of domestic violence from the point of access, through their 'same day response' duty team, to achieving Safety, Social Justice and improved Health and Well Being. The post will work within the Specialist Domestic Violence Court and carry a full caseload of 100.</p> <p>The identified outcomes of the IDVA service are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase the safety of victims.</li> <li>• Reduce the risk of repeat victimisation.</li> <li>• Increase the number of 'successful outcomes' through the criminal justice system.</li> <li>• Increase confidence in community safety and better communication between agencies and the public.</li> </ul>			
<b>Decision:</b> To grant fund My Sister's Place for the provision of an Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) during 2017/18 and 2018/19 at the sum of £43,047 per annum.			
<b>OPCC Lead Officer:</b> Rachelle Kipling			
<b>Contractor Details (if applicable):</b> My Sister's Place			
<b>Implications:</b>			
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)

This funding is included within the draft long term financial plan which is currently balanced for the period that this funding arrangement covers and is therefore affordable within expected budgets for both years.

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

The provision of IDVAs across the Cleveland area will be reviewed during the two years of this grant.

Risk Management Implications

None arise.

**OFFICER APPROVAL**

**Monitoring Officer**

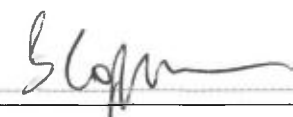
I have been consulted about the decision and confirm that financial, legal, and equalities advice has been taken into account. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signed 

Date 9 February 2017

**Police and Crime Commissioner:**

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed 

Date 10/2/17