



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For PCC approval.

Title: Improving access to the Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC) by raising awareness of SARC and SARC Services through promotional and development work across Cleveland.

Executive Summary: SARC Teesside is the Sexual Assault Referral Centre for the Cleveland Police area. The SARC is a partnership working arrangement providing a SARC model of practice for victims of rape and sexual assault regardless of whether or not the victim wishes to report to the police.

Since 2014, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Cleveland has provided funding to the SARC in order to improve access by raising awareness of SARC and its services, through promotional and development work across Cleveland.

This year (2017/18) the PCC in collaboration with NHS England are formally co-commissioning both the SARC and Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA) services. Therefore to enable service continuity it is recommended to continue to fund the posts of ISVA, Promotional Worker and Admin Support for a further 12 months following the success displayed since 2014. The funding will allow for:

- The production of a SARC newsletter/ bulletin
- Social media updates and monitoring
- Representatives at key meetings
- Involvement in regional developments
- Representative at promotional events
- Availability of staff to deliver presentations promoting SARC
- Strengthening the SARC position within the network of ISVAs
- Partaking in ISVA promotion and development work.

This funding supports the PCC's objective of 'A better deal for victims of witnesses'.

Decision: To agree funding of £70,045 to enable improved access to the SARC as per the executive summary.

OPCC Lead Officer: Rachelle Kipling

Contractor Details (if applicable): South Tees Foundation Trust

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 funding to deliver this service is incorporated within the 2017/18 Budget.

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

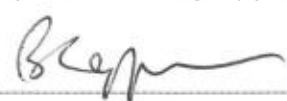
I have been consulted about the decision and confirm that financial, legal, and equalities advice has been taken into account. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signed 

Date 21/11/17

Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed 

Date 21/11/17