Decision Reference: 2022/23-0039



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For Police and Crime Commissioner approval

Title: NHS England Sexual Assault and Abuse Strategy 2022 - 2024

Executive Summary:

NHS England announced an opportunity for Police and Crime Commissioner's to apply for nonrecurrent funding to enable specialist sexual assault services to deliver specialist support that aligned with their Sexual Assault and Abuse Strategy. The funding covers an 18-month period from 1 October 2022 – 31 March 2024.

As part of the application process the Office of the PCC submitted a bid in partnership with Arch Teesside – this bid was successful and Arch Teesside will be awarded £37,292 to conduct a pilot which will provide a follow up support offer to victims of sexual violence following a report in Cleveland. The aim is to improve the support offer after disclosure following the findings from *'an in-depth analysis of Sexual Violence Data on Teesside (April 2022)'* conducted by Barefoot Research. The report highlights that in 2022 less than half of all reported rapes showed a SARC or onward referral, ranging from 20% for historic sexual assault (with penetration) to 49.2% for historic rates meaning that less than 50% of victims may have limited knowledge of the support options and aftercare available to them. In addition to this it has also been identified that it would be beneficial for reports of sexual harassment to receive follow up to ensure emotional support and wellbeing needs are being met across the spectrum of sexual violence offences.

To ensure the pilot is meeting the aims an evaluation will be included to support future investment / funding opportunities.

Decision:

To award Arch Teesside \pounds 37,292 to support delivery of the pilot referred to above during the period 1 October 2022 – 31 March 2024.

OPCC Lead Officer: Rachelle Kipling, Temporary Assistant Chief Executive

Contractor Details (if applicable): Arch Teesside

Implications:

Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No	
Financial	\square		
Legal	\square		
Equality & Diversity	\square		
Human Rights	\square		
Sustainability	\square		
Risk	\square		

(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 support this proposal has been provided to the PCC via the NHS and therefore is available to support this proposal in line with the original bid.

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

There are no legal implications.

Equality and Diversity Implications:

None.

Human Rights Implications:

None.

Sustainability Implications:

An evaluation of the pilot will take place to assist in securing additional funding for such an initiative in the future.

Risk Management Implications:

None.

OFFICER APPROVAL

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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 26/04/2023

Police and Crime Commissioner:	
The above request HAS my approval.	
Signed	Date 26/04/2023