



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 - 2025 – updated decision record.
Executive Summary: This DRF supersedes DRF 2022/23-0039 due to delays in implementation of the pilot which will now commence from 1 September 2023 – 31 March 2025. NHS England announced an opportunity for Police and Crime Commissioner’s to apply for non-recurrent 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 within the period 1 October 2022 – 31 March 2025. 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 standard 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 ‘ <i>an in-depth analysis of Sexual Violence Data on Teesside (April 2022)</i> ’ conducted by Barefoot Research. The report highlights that in 2022 less than half of all reported rapes showed attendance at the SARC or onward referral to another agency, ranging from 20% for historic sexual assault (with penetration) to 49.2% for historic rapes 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 contact 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 £37,292 to support delivery of the pilot referred to above during the period 1 September 2023 – 31 March 2025.
OPCC Lead Officer: Tracey Brittain
Contractor Details (if applicable): Arch Teesside

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 support this proposed expenditure has been received from the NHS and therefore the expenditure is affordable to the PCC within the resources available.

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

None arising

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

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 02.08.2023

Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed 

Date 04.08.2023