DRF Ref. 2023/2024 - 0039



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) approval.

Title: Cleveland Sex Work Strategy Development - North East Sex Work Forum (NESWF)

Executive Summary:

Building on the academic research, best practice approach and work undertaken by the NESWF over a number of years, including facilitating and supporting voices of lived experience, the NESWF have convened a strategic level multi agency forum across Cleveland's range of organisations, including criminal justice partners, local authorities, health and voluntary sector agencies to coordinate a range of responses to address sex work in communities, including working with the police and safeguarding those being exploited. This work has included a lived-experience- informed and led conference to develop a Cleveland sex work strategy with partners, training across a range of agencies and development of a draft strategy. The NESWF has recently become registered as a charity and requires funding to enable the coordination of work with partners to both develop and deliver a sex work strategy which will support awareness raising, policy and practice change, where relevant, and better outcomes for those involved in, affected by or exploited in the sex industry.

Decision: To provide £4,500 from the Police Property Act Fund, as a single, one-off contribution to NESWF to facilitate and coordinate the work of the Cleveland sex work strategic forum in developing a sex work strategy for Cleveland.

OPCC Lead Officer: Tracey Brittain

Contractor Details (if applicable): North East Sex Work Forum (NESWF)

Implications:			
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No	
Financial	\boxtimes		
Legal	\boxtimes		
Equality & Diversity	\square		
Human Rights	\square		
Sustainability	\square		
Risk	\boxtimes		
(If ves 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 is a single, one-off contribution to support the specific development of the multi-agency sex work strategic forum, sex work strategy and its implementation across relevant agencies.

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

There are no legal implications arising.

Equality and Diversity Implications:

EDI has been fully considered within the scope of the project and is a feature of the work of the multi-agency strategic partnership.

Human Rights Implications:

N/A

Sustainability Implications:

Funding is a one-off payment in the 2023/24 financial period.

Risk Management Implications:

N/A

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

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Date 29.02.24

Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed

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Date 29.02.2024