# POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE DECISION RECORD

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# **DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

Date: 8th May 2020

Officers present: The Police and Crime Commissioner, Simon Down

Received in OPCC Date: 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020 OPCC Ref: EXE0017 /20

Title: Domestic and sexual violence and abuse service/s

# **Summary of Issue:**

The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Leicestershire contributes to a joint fund with Leicester City Council, Leicestershire County Council, and Rutland County Council to fund a domestic and sexual violence and abuse service across LLR. Leicester City Council hold the contract with the provider (United Against Violence and Abuse (UAVA)) and there is an over- arching partnership agreement and a joint governance board (Joint Commissioning Assurance Board (JCAB)) which sits across and provides the necessary assurance and governance for the parties. The PCC funds and holds some additional domestic and sexual violence and abuse contracts which sit outside these arrangements; the intention, going forward, is to include these contracted services within the new domestic and sexual violence and abuse model.

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire, Leicester City Council, Leicestershire County Council and Rutland County Council have been working together to recommission a new service. However, due to the impact of Covid-19 it is becoming increasing difficult to maintain the current level of commissioning and procurement activities and it has been proposed that the procurement process is paused and as such Leicester City Council have sought legal advice to extend the current contract for a further 12 months.

This decision record sets out the budget that needs to be set aside for funding the domestic and sexual violence and abuse service/s for the additional year ((2021-22) – Table 1) and the actions required to extend the funding period and implement this change (Table 2).

The revised funding amounts have been reached and agreed by separate negotiations with the Providers.

The contribution to the domestic and sexual violence and abuse service includes a 3.2% inflationary increase on salaries and 5% inflationary increase against all other costs, as agreed with the current providers which is required as the contract is being extended beyond its initially intended period and costs have significantly increased since 2015 when the contract commenced. The proportion of the uplift applied to the PCC contribution reflects the current split between funding parties.

# Recommendation(s) presented:

1. To extend the contracts of the services/organisations as set out in table 1 below until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 at a total additional cost of £678,599 through the actions set out in table 2.

Table 1.

Service element	Provider	Contract holder	2020/21 Funding (£)	2021/22 Funding to extend contracts (£)
Contribution to domestic and sexual violence and abuse service	UAVA	Leicester City Council	396,927	409,047
Conditional cautioning and relationship abuse (CARA)	The Hampton Trust	PCC	20,000	20,000
DV360	Living Without Abuse	PCC	197,552	197,552
Children's Independent sexual violence advocate (CHISVA)	FreeVA	PCC	50,000	52,000
Totals			664,479	678,599

Table 2. The actions required by the OPCC to extend the funding period

Service element	Provider	Contract holder	Specific action required by the OPCC
Contribution to domestic and sexual violence and abuse service	UAVA	Leicester City Council	Work with commissioning colleagues to amend and extend the current partnership agreement
Conditional cautioning and relationship abuse (CARA)	The Hampton Trust	PCC	Extend the current contract to 31.03.2022
DV360	Living Without Abuse	PCC	Extend the current contract to 31.03.2022
Children's Independent sexual violence advocate (CHISVA)	FreeVa	PCC	Extend the current contract to 31.03.2022

# **Key discussion points**

The above recommendation was taken forward for discussion and approval.

#### OFFICE OF PCC APPROVAL

# **Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer:**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner

Signature:

Name: Paul Dawkins Date: 30/06/20

#### **Publication Scheme**

# **Decision of Monitoring Officer:**

As Monitoring Officer for the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire I have determined that:

It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Commissioner: YES

It is appropriate to publish the contents of the report proposing this course of action prepared by either of the senior post holders in the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire (i.e. either the Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer): YES

It is appropriate to publish details of the decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire: YES

Reasons for any non Publication (referencing appropriate legislation):

Signature:

Name: ANGELA PERRY Date: 8 JULY 2020

# **Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire**

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Having received the advice set out above and reviewed relevant documentation my decision in regard of this matter is:

**Supported** 

Signature Date: 16/10/20