POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE DECISION RECORD

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DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Date: 11.02.2019

Officers present: The Police and Crime Commissioner, Simon Down

Received in OPCC Date: 11.02.2019 OPCC Ref: EXE0003/18

Title: Independent Stalking Advocacy Caseworker (ISAC)

Summary of Issue:

It is well documented that there are currently issues around the under reporting of stalking and harassment and a lack of support for victims. This coupled with lack of awareness and ineffective reporting mechanisms means that stalking is frequently unrecognised, mis-recorded or not recorded at all, leaving many victims unsupported and at increased risk.

Women's Aid Leicester Ltd (WALL), in consultation with the Force have developed a proposal to pilot an Independent Stalking Advocacy Caseworker (ISAC) to cover both domestic abuse and non-domestic abuse related stalking cases. This would fill an existing gap in provision and ensure that stalking victims are appropriately supported.

WALL's proposal includes 2 elements:

- Victim Support and advocacy
- · Training and awareness raising

The proposal includes both the ISAC and Force training elements, however WALLL have agreed to fund the training element and are therefore now seeking either full or part funding toward the overall cost of the ISAC post.

Recommendation(s) presented:

The full costs of the ISAC (1FTE post) is £35,095.83, it is proposed that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire funds £20,000.00 toward the overall cost of the ISAC post for one year.

Key discussion points	

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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: TALT. WHENKY Date: 27,2,19

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): None

Signature: <

Name: ANGELA PERRY

Date: 27.2.19

Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire

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

Supported

Signature