



**DECISION 2015/86 DATE: 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2016** 

TITLE: VICTIMS CONSULTATION AND A REVIEW OF LANCASHIRE VICTIM SERVICES

REPORT BY: ROBERT RUSTON – VICTIOMS, COMMISSIONING AND PARTNERSHIPS MANAGER

### **Executive Summary:**

- 1. The Commissioner is required to consult with victims of crime on a regular basis and this Decision will ensure that victims are consulted and their views taken into account in the development of Lancashire Victim Services.
- 2. The Commissioner has previously approved a Lancashire based multi-agency model for Lancashire Victim Services which was operational from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015. This Decision provides for a review of the effectiveness and value of the approach taken to inform the re-commissioning of services which will take place from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.
- 3. SMSR are a supplier under the ESPO Framework Contract 992 for Public Consultation and Market Research and it is proposed that the Commissioner appoints SMSR to undertake this work. SMSR undertook the original Victims Services Review for the Commissioner and will be best placed to provide a continuity of work with victims in Lancashire.

#### Recommendation:

That the Commissioner approve the use of the ESPO Framework Contract 992 for Public Consultation and Market Research Services for the period 1<sup>st</sup> February 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017, and to appoint SMSR as the supplier under that framework to provide victims consultation and victim service review.

Signature

Police and Crime Commissioner

Clive Chouch

Date 23.3.16

#### PART I

Appendix A

### 1. Background and Advice

SMSR undertook the original Victim Services Review for the Commissioner in 2013 and will be able to provide continuity of approach to working with victims.

### 2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

One of the Commissioner's priorities is to "Champion the Rights of Victims" and this Decision will support work under that priority.

#### 3. Consultation

N/A

## 4. Implications

#### a. Legal

Service is procured under an existing Framework agreement

#### b. Financial

All costs will be met from the Ministry of Justice Victims Grant 2015/16

# c. Equality considerations

N/A

### 5. Background Papers

None

#### 6. Public access to information

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.

Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC website within 3 working days of approval. Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate Part 2 form.

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Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer)

I have been informed about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities 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 th	e Police and Crime Commissioner for	
Lancashire.		
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#### PART II

# **Restricted Information:**

## Finance:

The value of the work to be undertaken by SMSR under this Decision will not exceed £20,000.