



## POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

<b>DECISION 2020/43</b>	<b>Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021</b>
<b>TITLE: MINISTRY OF JUSTICE UPLIFT FUNDING FOR DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND ABUSE SERVICES</b>	
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### Executive Summary

In February 2021, the Ministry of Justice announced Lancashire OPCC would receive an additional £349,774 to fund domestic abuse and sexual violence services, in addition to the core grant.

The aim of the funding is to support services which have had increased demand placed upon them by Covid-19, and to ensure specialist services are proportionally represented within funding allocations.

The OPCC is required to split the funding between services as follows:

1. Domestic abuse services - £236,179
2. Sexual violence services - £113,595

Organisations across Lancashire were invited to apply for a share of the funding, with the information distributed directly to eligible organisations, through the Lancashire Domestic Abuse Forum (LDAF) and through the Pan-Lancashire Strategic Domestic Abuse Group (PLSDAG).

All the applications received have been reviewed and scored using a 1-5 system, as outlined on the application form, assessed against the criteria and needs assessment laid out within the Ministry of Justice Funding for Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Support Services PCC guidance. This guidance reserved the right for the OPCC to prioritise applications from specialist services for minority groups, where appropriate.

The decision has been made as follows:

1. To fully fund the application
2. To reject the application

## **Recommendation**

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the level of funding for the Applications as outlined in Appendix A.

The Commissioner is recommended to approve an additional £24,049 from the 2020/21 Community Safety budget, to allow all the successful applications to be fully funded. It should be noted support for victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence is a priority for all Community Safety Partnerships.

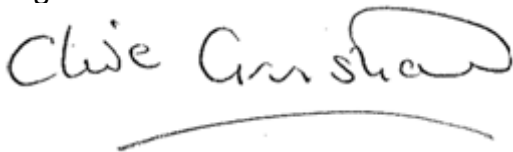
The Commissioner is recommended to note the decision not to fund the organisations outlined in 2.

## **Financial Implications**

£349,774 of the grant award will be fully funded through the uplift grant from the Ministry of Justice.

£24,049 will be funded from the Community Safety budget for 2020/21.

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Police and Crime Commissioner

Date 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021

## PART I

### 1. Background and Advice

All applications have been assessed against the Fund Criteria and if recommended for approval meet all the criteria

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

All applications recommended for approval support one or more of the priorities detailed in the Police and Crime Plan

### 3. Consultation

N/A

### 4. Implications

#### a. Legal

None to consider.

#### b. Financial

The applications approved will be funded from the Ministry of Justice grant allocation to Lancashire.

#### c. Equality considerations

Equality data is gathered for all applications.

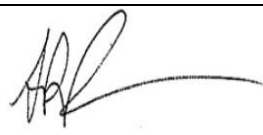
### 5. Background Papers

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.

Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	 22.03.2021
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION – Not applicable	

**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 the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire.

Signature

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