



FUNDING AGREEMENTS

Preparation for delivering victims' services

The following funding applications have been received from organisations who wish to develop a "core service offer" for victims' services in those areas where specialist support has been identified as being required, both through research undertaken by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and through the Revised Victims' Code.

PROJECT / INITIATIVE NAME:	Trust House Lancashire		
TOTAL COST:	£2,141.07	PRIORITY:	Champion the Rights of Victims, Protect Vulnerable People, Reducing Re-offending.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	£2,141.07	Match Funds:	N/A
Summary:	Trust House Lancashire is seeking funding to work in partnership with The Birchall Trust to prepare a core offer for the delivery of Sexual Violence Services across Lancashire. Currently, provision of counselling and Independent Sexual Violence Advisors (ISVAs) is delivered by a range of specialist and non-specialist organisations, meaning provision is patchy county-wide, demand outstrips available services and victims struggle to identify available services.		
Comments:	The Commissioner currently funds Trust House and The Birchall Trust to deliver their core services. Victims of rape and sexual assault – both adults and children – are highlighted in the revised Victims' Code as being categories of victims who should be received enhanced services.		
Proposed Funding Stream:	MoJ Victims' 2013 fund		
Recommendation:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That this Agreement is supported by the Commissioner 2. That funding of £2,141.07 is provided to Trust House Lancashire for the preparation of a core service offer. 		

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PROJECT / INITIATIVE NAME:	Greater Together – Young People's Victim Support Service		
TOTAL COST:	£9,450	PRIORITY:	Champion the Rights of Victims, Protect Vulnerable People, Reducing Crime, Reduce Re-offending.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	£9,450	Match Funds:	N/A
Summary:	<p>Greater Together – a consortia of pan-Lancashire organisations – will work to develop a "core offer" of victims' services for young people across the county, and also for those young people who are perpetrators of crime against other young people.</p> <p>The core offer will entail the production of a consistent service and financial model to be offered, via a single gateway of referral which will be accessible to the Victim Support hub and by referral agencies such as Youth Justice Services, Lancashire police, VCF organisations and other stakeholders.</p> <p>Once designed a range of appropriately skilled and trained providers operating through the Greater Together and Families Health and Wellbeing consortia will take responsibility for delivery.</p>		
Comments:	<p>This project has the support of the Consortia and of the Youth Justice leads in Blackpool, Blackburn and Lancashire.</p> <p>The Commissioner's Victims' Strategy makes specific reference to ensure that "the needs of children and young people as victims and witnesses are recognised and services designed and delivered in a way that best suits them."</p>		
Proposed Funding Stream:	MoJ Victims' Funding 2013		
Recommendation:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That this Agreement is supported by the Commissioner 2. That funding of £9,450 is provided to Greater Together to develop a core service offer. 		

PROJECT / INITIATIVE NAME:	Disability First – Victims' Voice		
TOTAL COST:	£23,100	PRIORITY:	.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	£23,100	Match Funds:	Lancashire & Wyre District Council have offered office space for the project.
Summary:	<p>Disability First, Smile Mediation, the Wyre and Lancaster District Hate Crime Project and the Independent Hate Crime Hub have joined together as Victims' Voice, with the aim of working in partnership to develop a "core offer" for victims of hate crime.</p> <p>The funding will allow the organisations to develop a core model which will enhance the services currently available and allow for consistent provision of</p>		

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	services for hate crime victims county-wide. It will also enable the organisations to train staff and establish a co-ordinated database for information sharing between all organisations involved.
Comments:	The Commissioner has allocated £20,000 to Victims' Voice to deliver a series of hate crime roadshows across the county.
Proposed Funding Stream:	MoJ Victims' Funding 2013
Recommendation:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That this Agreement is supported by the Commissioner 2. That funding of £23,100 is provided to Disability First to develop a core service offer for Victims' Voice.