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DECISION 2015/80	DATE: 21TH MARCH 2016
TITLE: SUPPORT FOR TRUST HOUSE AND YOUNG VICTIMS FUNDING 2015/16	
REPORT BY: ROBERT RUSTON – VICTIMS, PARTNERSHIPS & COMMISSIONING MANAGER	

Executive Summary

1. The Commissioner has received funding of £1,636,212 from the Ministry of Justice for victims services;
2. Victim services have already been commissioned from Victim Support, Victim Voice and Trust House/Birchall Trust. Restorative Justice Services, and other projects and initiatives have also been funded.
3. Providing specialist support services for victims of rape and sexual abuse and for young people as victims were two of the priorities identified in the Victim Services Review.
4. This Decision seeks to confirm the allocation of £82,000 to support the core operating costs of Trust House (rape and sexual abuse support service) and to provide a further £7,000 funding for the development and initial delivery of the Young Victims Service. Details of the proposals are attached in Appendix B.
5. If this Decision is confirmed, there will be a balance of £321,000 remaining in the Victims Grant Fund for allocation against other costs incurred in the delivery of victim support services.

Recommendation:

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the proposed use of the Victims Grant Fund as outlined in Appendix B and to note the implications in respect of funding that could be available for future victim support services.

Signature 

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date 23.3.16

1. Background and Advice

The Commissioner has indicated that he supports the work of Trust House and has already provided funding for the development and delivery of a Young Victims Service.

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

Supporting victims of rape and sexual abuse is one of the key aims under the Protecting Vulnerable People priority

3. Consultation

None

4. Implications

a. Legal

There are no legal comments in relation to this paper.

b. Financial

The proposed allocation is contained within the grant funding from the Ministry of Justice

c. Equality considerations

There are no Equality comments in relation to this paper


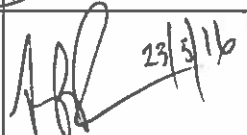
5. Background Papers

None

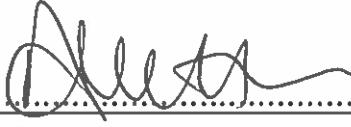
6. Public access to information

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Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	 23/5/16
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	 23/5/16
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION – As above	
<p>Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer)</p> <p>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</p>	

an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire.

Signature..........Date.....23 3 16.....

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE



MINISTRY OF JUSTICE VICTIMS GRANT FUNDING 2015/16

LANCASHIRE VICTIM SERVICES

1. TRUST HOUSE

The Commissioner has previously provided funding to support Trust House to deliver its range of rape and sexual assault support programmes including counselling and therapy sessions for adults and children.

Trust House is a key provider for these services and was set up in 2012 with funding from the Ministry of Justice and supported by the Commissioner.

Proposal: That the Commissioner provides funding of £82,000, equivalent to 50% of the core operating costs for Trust House to ensure that the organisation can maintain delivery of existing services.

That the Commissioner allocated **£82,000** funding from the Ministry of Justice Victims Funding 2015/16.

2. YOUNG PEOPLE'S VICTIM SERVICE

The commissioner has previously approved funding to deliver a service that provides support for Young Victims in Lancashire. This has included £40,000 from the 2015/16 Ministry of Justice Victims Fund to support development and initial delivery of the service in 2015/16.

Additional development and delivery costs of £7,000 have been identified to enable the service to be provided to the standard required by the Commissioner.

Proposal: That the Commissioner provides an additional **£7,000** funding to support the development and initial delivery of the Young Victims Service from the Ministry of Justice Victims Funding 2015/16.

