

**OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
FOR HUMBERSIDE
DECISION RECORD**

Decision Record Number: **28/2014**

Title: **Domestic Violence Research**

Executive Summary:

Following an earlier submissions paper regarding mainstreaming the cost of IDVAs and MARAC Coordinators across the PCC, Directors of Public Health and Clinical Commissioning Groups the Commissioner deferred the decision pending further information and clarity. It is proposed that this further information and clarity is provided by CAADA and their proposal is attached at appendix 2.

Decision:

That the review of domestic abuse services as outlined at 4.2 (option 2) and Appendix 2 be approved and £15,000 be allocated from the Victim Support Capacity Building Grant.

Background Report: Open

Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct.

Any such interests are recorded below.

The above decision has my approval.

Signature

Matthew Crow

Date 02.07.14

**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
FOR HUMBERSIDE**

SUBMISSION FOR: DECISION

OPEN

Title: Domestic Violence Research

Date: 2 July 2014

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 Following an earlier submissions paper regarding mainstreaming the cost of IDVAs and MARAC Coordinators across the PCC, Directors of Public Health and Clinical Commissioning Groups (see appendix 1 for ease of reference) the Commissioner deferred the decision pending further information and clarity. It is proposed that this further information and clarity is provided by CAADA and their proposal is attached at appendix 2.
- 1.2 The proposed review of domestic abuse services will include:
- An analysis of all current funding for domestic abuse services across the different parts of the Force area/local authorities, an analysis of the number of people supported, the interventions provided and a comparison of data between areas.
 - Advice on whether the existing provision for domestic abuse addresses the risks and needs of, medium and standard risk victims.
 - An estimate of capacity required for a risk led response to adult victims.
 - High level recommendations relating to the governance and oversight of this funding.
- 1.3 This review will build on the work already carried out by the Commissioner's Office and represents an opportunity to work pan Humber and bring a consistent and high quality response to victims and their children.
- 1.4 In addition, as part of the decision to support an additional ISVA on the North Bank, the Commissioner also requested a report from each local authority on the level of support to child victims of sexual abuse and the level of need. The response from each local authority is attached as appendix 3.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Commissioner approves the review of domestic abuse services as outlined at 4.2 (option 2) below and at appendix 2 and identifies the next steps following receipt of the responses from the local authorities.

3. Background

All the essential background is included in the report attached as appendix 1.

4. Options

Option 1

- 4.1 That the OPCC conducts a more extensive review of domestic abuse services to provide the further information and clarity sought.

Option 2

- 4.2 That the PCC engages a consultancy firm with an expert understanding of domestic abuse services and the various funding streams attached to IDVAs and MARAC Coordinators.

5. Risks

- 5.1 The risk with option 1 is the amount of time that this will require from OPCC staff and divert resource away from other areas of importance such as Victim Services Commissioning and Restorative Justice Commissioning. This could be mitigated if a staff member is made available from another area within the Corporate Support Team (CST).

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 There is only opportunity costs associated with option 1. The second option will cost £15,000 plus VAT. Funding can be provided from the grant funding for the local commissioning of victims support services.

7. Legal Implications

- 7.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

8. Equalities Implications

- 8.1 There are no known equalities implications associated with this report.

9. Consultation

- 9.1 The OPCC has consulted all four Community Safety Partnerships, Hull DAP and It's my Right about the review and all have indicated their support and cooperation for such a review and to act as key points of contact.

10. Media information

- 10.1 There are no media implications at the moment. If however we can broker more consistent and stable funding for these critical posts in the future then there will be significant media opportunities.

11. Background documents

- 11.1 The original report is attached as appendix 1 and CAADA's proposal is attached as appendix 2.

12. Publication

- 12.1 The report has been marked as open, although appendix 2 is confidential.