# WEST MIDLANDS POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

# NON-CONFIDENTIAL NOTICE OF DECISION 009/2019

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

From April 1<sup>st</sup> 2015, Police and Crime Commissioners took on responsibility for commissioning locally most of the emotional and practical support services for victims of crime that are provided by the voluntary and community sector. These services help victims to cope with and recover from the impacts of crime.

The services that have been commissioned form part of a complex and varied network of support that exists for victims, to ensure that the needs of victims are met through improved services. The Victims Commission, the Commissioners' expert advisory group of representatives from the voluntary and community sector have recommended support services in a number of key areas that the Commissioner needs to address. All services will offer a West Midlands response across areas of critical need and emerging issues. Annex 1 sets out the funding awarded.

#### **DECISION**

I approve the allocations set out in the attachment at Annex 1. The total budget for Victim Services in 2019/20 is £3,346,608.00

#### **West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner**

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the West Midlands Office for Policing and Crime. Any interests are indicated below.

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Date	11.4.19.		

## NON - CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

#### INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1. Funding for victims of crime and responsibility for services for victims of crime transfered to Police and Crime Commissioners on the 1 April 2015. PCCs have responsibility for commissioning locally most of the emotional and practical support services for victims of crime that are provided by the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector. These services help victims to cope with and recover from the impacts of crime. Cope and recover are the outcomes which services for victims should be aiming to achieve as far as possible.
- 2. The support services outlined at Annex 1 include West Midlands force area wide services for initial contact and referral and Restorative Justice, specialist services recommended to the Commissioner by the Victims Commission who are the expert advisory group that make recommendations to the Commissioner on his hidden crimes priority, and services who bid for the Vitcims Fund 6.

#### **Financial Implications**

3. The total MoJ grant for Victims Services in 2019/20 is £3,346,608

#### **Legal Implications**

- 4. The funding is issued as a grant under s56 of the Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004.
- 5. Schedule 9 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 provides Commissioners with the powers to award crime and disorder grants to any organisations and projects they consider will help them achieve their crime prevention and wider priorities.

#### **Schedule of Background Papers**

None

#### Public Access to Information

Information contained in this decision is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation. This decision will be made available on the Commissioner's website.

## Annex 1

Service Provided	Provider	Allocation
1 <sup>st</sup> Contact, Assessment and Referral	Victim Support	£948,920
Restorative Justice commissioned	Remedi	£450,000
Sexual Violence and Abuse Services	Sexual Violence Consortium	£405,936
	BCWA	£155,078
	CRASAC	£85,402
	RSVP	£165,456
IDVA Service	West Midlands Domestic Violence Consortium	£734,305
	Birmingham Solihull WomensAid	£319,778
	Coventry Haven	£71,062
	BCWA	£225,029
	Wolverhampton	£118,436
Stalking and Harrassment support service	Black Country Women's Aid	£119,200
Female Genital Mutilation	Allies Networks Ltd	£54,869
Support	Coventry Haven	£35,063
Modern Slavery	Modern Slavery Co- ordination	£20,000
Modern Slavery	Modern Slavery Engagement Officers	£27,000
Modern Slavery	Adavu – Support Service	£31,353
Honour Based Abuse and Forced Marriage (HBA & FM)	Coventry Haven	£38,307
Road Traffic Case workers	Victim Support	£69,820

Enhanced Categories	Community Vision CIC	£93,964
Victims Fund 6	VF6	£147,031
	Beyond the Horizon	£16,853
	SWAN	£20,000
	Chadd	£10,000
	New Heights Warren Farm	£10,000
	HBA FM Helpline	£47,207
	The Sharan Project	£12,890
	Panaghar	£14,134
	Brake	£7,000
	Edwards Turst	£8,974
Total		3,175,768
Remaining budget		170,840