

## SUMMARY DECISION SHEET

**Purpose:** Commissioner Decision – Ref. DLI 274

**Timing:** Pressing

**Title:** Award of MOJ funding

**Category of Decision / Business Area Impact:** Commissioning

### Executive Summary:

For 2022/23, the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) announced a process to bid for additional funding according to identified and evidenced need for services supporting victims of Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence. Following a public process to seek bids from providers delivering within Dyfed Powys, the PCC submitted a bid in June 2022 on behalf of providers in need of additional funding. This totalled approximately £1m.

The MOJ have allocated Dyfed Powys a total of £271,041 annually for a period of 3 years. This was significantly less than requested and an exercise has been undertaken to re-prioritise and re-calculate how best to maximise the reduced funding allocation. This included the following rationale:

- Bids focussing on provision for children and young people will instead form part of the PCC's bid to the Home Office Violence Against Women and Girls' fund for children's services, currently being developed by the External Funding Manager with a deadline for bids of early August 2022
- Bids focussing on remote evidence sites were not supported as the sites are under a separate Welsh Government development plan with funding associated and are managed via regional Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (VAWDASV) advisors in liaison with providers
- Bids focussing on service user engagement are not supported as this is not the priority use for this fund
- Bids evidencing need from an adult perspective have been funded at 50% of each original request – along with a request that this funding is focussed on frontline service provision with total management and overheads combined to equate to no more than 10% of the amount awarded
- All agencies receiving funding will need to provide performance information and demographics at mid-year and end of year point as per MOJ requirements
- A grant agreement will be drawn up with each provider to pass on the terms and conditions of the MOJ grant to the PCC.

To note, a separate process was undertaken to provide funding for Independent Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Advisors (IDVA/ISVA). Bids were submitted to MOJ, who have now announced Dyfed Powys' award of 1 FTE Children's ISVA. There was no decision for the PCC to make within this fund.



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**Recommendation:**

That the PCC approves the award of MOJ DA-SV funding at a level of 50% for all adult focussed services and supports the development of an alternative bid for services for children and young people.

**Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys**

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 the Nolan Principles for Conduct in Public Life.

The above request has my approval.

**Signature:**

**Date: 08.07.2022**