

SUMMARY DECISION SHEET

Purpose: Commissioner Decision - Ref. DLI254

Timing:

Title: Funding towards YOT's business case request

Category of Decision / Business Area Impact: Finance

Executive Summary:

The PCC has been in discussion with the Youth Offending Teams who have submitted a business case requesting funding to develop a specific Restorative Justice function and role within their teams. The **Youth Justice Victim and Restorative Justice Project** would aim to provide support to victims and enable their voice to be heard at each stage of the Youth Justice System and support the delivery of the Police & Crime Plan (PCP). It is recognised that children in the criminal justice system can be both perpetrators and victims, and YOTs are in a unique position to work with children to address this duality and work towards reducing harm. The project would ensure that restorative approaches are used in a way that would benefit the child (who committed the offence, by helping them to recognise the impact of their behaviour whilst also addressing any feelings of shame and guilt), the victim and the wider community. Were appropriate and safe to do so, Restorative Conferences would be facilitated with other forms of direct and indirect reparation utilised were this isn't possible

Recommendation:

The PCC agrees a contribution of £25k to support the development of the Youth Justice Victim and Restorative Justice project, with a contribution from the Commissioner's Reserves budget

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: Dafeld Mref

Date: 2/2/2022