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## SUMMARY DECISION SHEET

**Purpose:** Commissioner Decision – Ref.DLI368

**Timing:** Singular

**Title:** Funding for external evaluation of DAVRU

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

**Executive Summary:**

Funding is requested to support an academic evaluation of DAVRU (Domestic Abuse Virtual Response Unit), which has now been rolled out across Dyfed-Powys. This evaluation will be undertaken by a research team at Bangor University, and will focus on the victims' experience of the service, including accessibility in rural areas and for Welsh-speaking victims. The overall aim is to improve service delivery and better understand the (positive or negative) impact on victims using DAVRU.

The evaluation is in line with the PCC's priorities of supporting victims, preventing harm, and supporting a more effective justice system. It also represents a collaboration with Bangor University to understand the benefits and disbenefits of a technology mediated police response to domestic abuse, with a particular focus on rurality.

The funding is provided from the PCC's Innovation Fund, which has been created to support projects and pilots not previously explored in Dyfed-Powys, and which do not require future funding commitments from the PCC.

**Recommendation:**

To provide funding of £15,000 from the Innovation Fund to facilitate the evaluation.

**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:** 6 May 2025