

PCC DECISION

REF 2016/022

Decision Title: Child Sexual Exploitation(CSE) Interim Service

Decision summary:

The PCC and partners from the five local authorities across Avon and Somerset have agreed to extend the specialist support service currently provided by Barnardo's to support victims of child sexual exploitation for a period of 6 months covering 1st April 2017- 30th September 2017.

Background or reference to supporting papers:

The PCC and partners were successful in securing two year Police Innovation funding from the Home Office in 2014 to support the delivery of the West of England CSE Victim Identification and Support service. Further information is provided at the following link- http://www.avonandsomerset-pcc.gov.uk/Document-Library/TERM-ONE/Decisions/2015/2015-020-West-of-England-CSE-Victim-Identification-and-Support-Service.pdf

Innovation funding is due to come to an end on 31st March 2107 and as such the following approaches have been agreed to ensure continuity of support and delivery against Innovation Fund outcomes which stated that an external commissioning process would take place at the end of the two year period-

- From 1st April 2017, the existing specialist support delivered across Avon and Somerset, delivered by Barnardo's will be required to be maintained, albeit on a reduced funding envelope taking into account the end of Home Office innovation funding into the service, and transition arrangements will need to ensure that there is a seamless period during which interim specialist support is delivered until the process to prepare for the above commissioned service has been completed.
- In the medium term (3-4 years), specialist support for children being sexually exploited will be provided by an external service jointly commissioned by the PCC and the local authorities of Bristol, South Gloucestershire, Bath and North-East Somerset, North Somerset and Somerset on a 'match funded' basis from 1st September 2017.

Funding contributions for the interim service has been agreed as follows-

	Half Year
Bristol	£39,000
South Gloucestershire	£15,000
Bath & North East Somerset	£15,000

North Somerset	£7,500
Somerset	£37,500
Police and Crime Commissioner	£114,000
Total	£228,000

A separate process is being taken forward to support the longer term commissioning model.

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