



# Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

## Decision Notice

To	Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner
From	Micha Dawes- Commissioning Officer
Reference	028/2018
Subject	Paws Protect
Date	16/10/2018
Recommendation	The PCC provides a total funding contribution of £15,420.72 to March 2020 to Paws Protect
Is the decision of significant public interest	No
Summary of reasons for decision	<p>This funding application fits the priority funding criteria under the Funding Network of DA step down services. A high percentage of domestic abuse victims report their pets have been threatened, injured or killed by the perpetrator.</p> <p>Victims have reported as not wanting to leave the abusive home as they do not want to leave their pet behind, worrying about the abuse the pet then may face.</p> <p>Paws Protect removes the barrier victims can face when trying to flee domestic abuse, by providing a fostering service for the pet until the victim is in a safe place, therefore leaving the victim to feel able to take action.</p>
Consultation undertaken	N/A
Approved by legal adviser (if appropriate)	N/A
Approved by finance (if appropriate)	N/A
Background papers	Application Form
Communication and media	N/A
Financial implications	2018/2019- £4,283.53

	2019/2020- £11,137.19
Identified risks	Those with pets may feel less able to take action to flee the abusive setting, or access other support services due to the threat they face.

Officer approval	Signed agreement	Date
Mark Streater Chief Executive & Monitoring Officer		16/10/18
Iain McCulloch Chief Finance Officer		16/10/18

Signed 

Katy Bourne  
Police and Crime Commissioner for Sussex

Date: 16-10-2018