

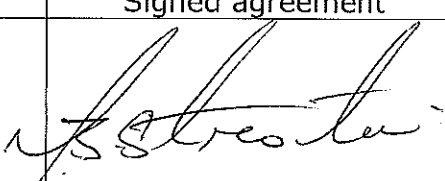
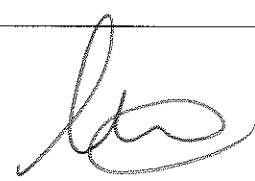


Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

Decision Notice

To	Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner
From	Nicola Walker, Partnership Manager
Reference	RJ Budget WS1004 <i>18/2019.</i>
Subject	Victim Support – Restorative Justice 2019/20
Date	4 th March 2019
Recommendation	To provide grant funding to Victim Support for 2019/20 to enable the continuation of restorative services Pan- Sussex which currently ceases on the 31 st March 2019
Is the decision of significant public interest?	The decision to award a grant to Victim Support originates from the consultation and subsequent SCJB RJ Business Case & Strategy agreed at the SCJB on the 1 st of May 2014.
Summary of reasons for decision	The MOJ aspiration is for all areas to create an RJ service for all victims of crime at all stages of the CJS. Sussex implemented a plan agreed by the SCJB in 2014/15. A fundamental aspect of this is working with victims harmed by crime. The now nationally accredited Sussex RJ Partnership relies on the services from Victim Support to ensure compliance with the victim code and engage with victims in relation to RJ as part of their needs assessment.
Consultation undertaken	Consultation has taken place and as a result the funding will remain at the same level. There are significant changes to the wider Victim Support grant that may impact Restorative Justice so close monitoring will continue to ensure funding levels remain appropriate.
Approved by legal adviser (if appropriate)	N/A
Approved by finance (if appropriate)	Yes.

Background papers	SCJB RJ Business Case & Grant Agreement agreed between Victim Support and OSPCC
Communication and media	OSPCC communications team aware of the proposal and will be included in media products.
Financial implications	<p>The grant will be funded from the Ministry of Justice Victim Services Grant (RJ Indicative budget). 2017/2018 £84,330 2018/19 reduced to £67,464 as there has been an underspend linked to staff shortage due to unfilled vacancies (4 x quarterly payments of £16,866 – April, July, October and January 2020) Option1 - 2019/20 £67,464 (4 x quarterly payments of £16,866 – April, July, October and January 2020) Preferred Option 2- £78,000 (4x quarterly payments of 19,500) returning the service to its original level now vacancies have been filled and retention is good.</p>
Identified risks	There are minimal identified risks in the delivery of this work, based on evaluation of the success of the previous service to date. Monitoring of the service is conducted through divisional monthly meetings, quarterly monitoring reviews and accountability through the SRJP. Development of the enhanced Victim Support delivery model will be 'action planned' during the first three months to ensure the service reflects the needs of victims following the changes in their wider contract.

Officer approval	Signed agreement	Date
Mark Streater Chief Executive & Monitoring Officer		04.03.2019
Iain McCulloch Chief Finance Officer		4.3.2019

Signed 

Date: 4 MARCH 2019

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