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Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/ 040/14
Date of Report 10 June 2014	Area of County/Stakeholders affected Countywide
Title of report PCC Victims'	Capacity Building Fund – Victims' Pathfinder Projects

1. Purpose of report

1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £86,122.55 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the Victims Capacity Building Fund to the organisations represented in section 2 below.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of funding to organisations undertaking Victims Pathfinder projects which aim to increase capacity and capability of the voluntary and community sector to respond to the PCC's new responsibilities around commissioning victims' services from October 2014.
- 2.2. The funding will be allocated to the following organisations:

Organisation	Project	Cost
Safer Places	Older Victims Needs Assessment	£18,838.00
SERICC	Self-defence courses	£19,825.00 -
Show Racism the Red Card	School preventative workshops	£18,520.00
RAD	Hate Crime w/shops for Deaf residents	£9,291.55
Colchester & Tendring Refuge	Engagement strategy	£19,648.00 -
	Total:	£86,122.55

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1. The purpose of the Victims' funding is to develop capacity and capability within the local area in preparation for the PCC taking on responsibility for commissioning support services for victims from October 2014. These Pathfinder projects give local organisations the opportunity to test-out innovative and new approaches to inform future commissioning decisions.
- 3.2. These projects will help the OPCC in decisions and planning around future commissioning of victim's services. This funding must be used within the financial year 2014-15 in line with the funding criteria from the Ministry of Justice.

4. Background and proposal

4.1 The Ministry of Justice has handed responsibility of commissioning victims services to PCCs to place the victim at the centre of services and ensure local solutions can be adapted to local problems. This included an allocation of funding to be used to develop local capacity and capability.

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1. This proposal supports the PCC's vision and delivery of the following key areas of focus:
 - Ensuring local solutions meet local problems
 - Reducing domestic abuse
 - Supporting victims of crime

6. Police Operational Implications

6.1 There are no operational implications

7. Financial Implications

7.1 The PCC would fund a total of £86,122.55 contribution to the organisations identified in the table in section 2.2 above.

8. Legal Implications

- 8.1 The award of the grant is subject to the PCC's standard funding agreement.
- 9. Staffing and other resource implications
- 9.1 None

10. Equality and Diversity implications

10.1 There are no equality and diversity implications

Report Approval

Chief Executive/M.O

The report will be signed off by the Chief Executive and CFO and the PCC Solicitor where legal implications arise.

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Reasons for non-publication (state 'None' if applicable) Signed/Print name Report for publication YES

Publication

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