

Approved By:	Classification of Paper: Not Protectively Marked
Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/ 0034/15
Date of Decision 17 March 2015	Area of County/Stakeholders affected Countywide
Title of report PCC Victims Fund – Essex VARC contract & performance monitoring	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £42,500 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the Victims Fund to TONIC, whose activities will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of the 2015-16 victims' commissioning fund grant to TONIC for the delivery of contract and performance management services for the Essex Victim Assessment and Referral Centre (VARC), provided by Victim Support.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1. This service will provide the following benefits to Essex OPCC:
- Specialist support in the monitoring and performance management of the new Essex victims' referral and assessment service
 - Strong monitoring to stabilise the new service, ensure performance is in line with stated outcomes, and develop improvements where necessary,
 - Develop a framework that will result in rigorous contract management – service, VFM & due diligence,
 - Preparation of associated reports,
 - Sound risk management and reporting

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. TONIC successfully won a tender process to perform this service.

4.2. TONIC provide the benefit of having worked as consultants for the Eastern region on the development of the new VARC service. They have a detailed knowledge of the service, of the new victims' commissioning arrangements, and have worked with Victim Support to ensure the service is fit for purpose.

5. Police and Crime Plan

5.1. This proposal supports the PCC's vision and delivery of the following key areas of focus:

- Supporting our victims of crime
- Reducing Hidden Harm
- Ensuring local solutions meet local problems

6. Police Operational Implications

6.1 There are no operational implications

7. Financial Implications

7.1 The PCC would fund a £42,500 contribution to TONIC

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 There are no staffing issues

10. Equality and Diversity implications

10.1 There are no D&E implications

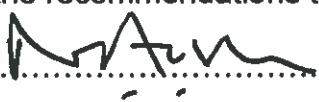
Report Approval

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

Chief Executive/M.O 
Chief Financial Officer 
PCC Legal Advisor (As necessary)

Decision

I agree the recommendations to this report

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PCC/Deputy PCC

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because

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Publication

Reasons for non-publication (state 'None' if applicable)

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Report for publication

YES

NO

If the report is not for publication, the Chief Executive will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.