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Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/ 0069/15
Date of Report 04 June 2015	Area of County/Stakeholders affected Countywide
Title of report PCC Victims Fund – Interim FME contract for Essex SARC (2015-16)	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £33,750 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the Victims Fund to G4S, 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 Victims Fund grant to G4S to provide an interim Forensic Medical Examination service to victims of sexual abuse presenting to the Essex Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC).

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1. This interim contract is for the provision of Forensic Medical Examination within the Essex Sexual Assault Referral Centre (Oakwood Place, Brentwood Hospital). This service includes the provision of a 24/7 Forensic Nurse Examiner rota and the provision of Forensic Medical Examiners on a call-out basis, including travel and subsistence. The contract also includes training for staff providing services via the SARC.
- 3.3 This interim contract has been negotiated exclusively with the incumbent supplier; G4S, whilst a re-tendering exercise is conducted between Essex Police, other regional Police forces, and NHS England.

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. There is a requirement for an interim contract for this service for 2 reasons;
1. A failed procurement exercise last year, led by NHS England which we were partners in,
 2. Changes to the custody FME contract since April 2015.

Since April 2015 we have been working with G4S to agree a formal interim contract until April 2016 when a newly commissioned service should come into force.

- 4.2. This interim contract will replace the current practice of best endeavours service provision.

- 4.3. This interim contract forms part of a wider suite of services provided via the SARC, including SARC management and the provision of Independent Sexual Violence Advisors (ISVAs).

- 4.4. The cost of this service is match funded by Essex Police (£33,750) and NHS England (£67,500)

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1 Supports priorities in the Police and Crime Plan as follows;

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

6. Police Operational Implications

- 6.1 No operational impact

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1 The PCC would fund a £33,750 contribution to G4S

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 equality and diversity 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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I do not agree the recommendations to this report because

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