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Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/ 0088/16
Date of Report 9 October 2016	Area of County/Stakeholders affected Countywide
Title of report 2016-17 CSF – Essex modern slavery safe house pilot	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £9,367 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the Community Safety Fund to Medaille Trust 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 CSF grant to Medaille Trust to pilot a pre-NRM safe house for victims of modern day slavery in Essex.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1. The Medaille Trust will operate a safe house for victims of modern slavery to be accommodated prior to their formal acceptance into the National Referral Mechanism, and the support of the nationally-commissioned Salvation Army support contract.
- 3.2. This funding will cover rates and utilities for the house for an initial 6-month pilot in addition to approx. £130p/day for support staff as and when required.
- 3.3. This safe house will provide safeguarding and appropriate immediate support to victims, and will prevent re-victimisation of those identified as being trafficked or experiencing modern slavery in Essex.

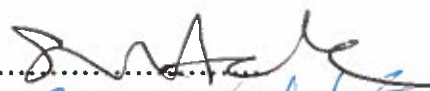

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. The project is match-funded by Essex Fire and Rescue Service who are supplying a property rent free, resulting in an estimated in-kind contribution of around £8,000.

- 4.2. Officers dealing with victims in the safe house will also contact Salvation Army should the victim consent to entering the NRM process so that Salvation Army can begin to prepare to take over the safeguarding of the victim
- 4.3. This initiative has been recommended following the identification of a gap in the provision of immediate support once victims are identified and before they are picked-up by the national Salvation Army contract, which may take up to 5 days.
- 4.4. These costs are estimated based on a projected 48 hours average occupancy per victim and 3-5 victims per month for a 6-month pilot period.
- 5. Police and Crime Plan**
 - 5.1 Supports priorities in the Police and Crime Plan as follows;
 - Supporting victims of crime
 - Reducing hidden harm
 - Improving crime prevention
- 6. Police Operational Implications**
 - 6.1 Essex Police officers will have access to a specific immediate support mechanism for victims of modern day slavery in Essex
- 7. Financial Implications**
 - 7.1 The PCC would fund a £9,367 contribution to the Medaille Trust from the 2016-17 Community Safety Fund
- 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.

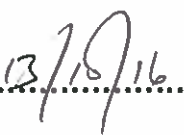
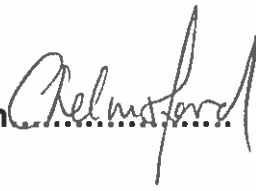
Chief Executive/M.O 
Chief Financial Officer 
PCC Legal Advisor (As necessary)

Decision

I agree the recommendations to this report

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PCC/Deputy PCC

Date signed.....  **Location**..... 

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because

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