

PFCC Decision Report

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Title of report: Variation of 139-22 Home Office DA Perpetrator 22-23

Area of county / stakeholders affected: Pan Essex

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Date of report: 10 January 2023

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. Decision 139-22 agreed to accept a Home Office grant for domestic abuse perpetrator work and to commission local organisations to undertake delivery. Subsequently, one of our delivery partners has withdrawn their element of the project which prompted a variation request to the Home Office to redistribute the allocated £42k to the other existing delivery projects. This DR is to acknowledge and accept the updated grant agreement from Home Office and process the reallocation of grant monies to delivery partners. The overall value of the grant remains unchanged.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. The PFCC agrees to
1. accept £291,272 funding from Home Office for DA perpetrator work
 2. allocate £291,272 funding to the organisations noted in section 4.2 below
 3. accept the updated terms of the Home Office grant agreements included in section 16 of this report

3. Background to the Proposal

- 3.1. On 11th August, The Home Office confirmed the availability of continuation funding to Essex PFCC for projects that received grants in 2021-22 aimed at tackling domestic abuse perpetrators.
- 3.2. The PFCC provides match funding to some of these organisations through the Community Safety Fund (ref. decision sheet 104-22). This Home Office grant is used for additional activity which complements (and does not duplicate) existing PFCC and partnership funding.
- 3.3. In October 2022 the PFCC was informed that the NVR provider could not fulfil their element of the proposal within the financial year, and we requested a variation to our allocations to redistribute that funding in-year. In December 2022, Home Office confirmed acceptance of this proposal and reissued the grant agreements with updated allocations.

4. Proposal and Associated Benefits

- 4.1. The £42k re-allocated funding will be invested in training, comms/media and direct behavioural change work with perpetrators to change their offending behaviour and improve the safety of DA victims. Essex Youth Service will receive an additional £22k to expand delivery of the Goodman and Sisters in Strength project and Essex Police will receive a further £20k to promote the #reflect DA perpetrator media campaign.

4.2. 139/22 vs Variation Funding Breakdown

Provider	Activity	Grant	Original	Grant Variation
The Change Project	Thurrock Community Outreach	188	£169,272	£169,272
	Community Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programmes (DAPP)	163		
	Domestic Violence Protection Orders (DVPO)	188		
Essex County Council	Non-Violent Resistance (NVR) Training	163	£42,000	NIL
Essex Youth Service	Goodman/Sisters in Strength expansion	188	£60,000	£82,000
Essex Police	DA perp campaign – additional comms activity	188	£20,000	£40,000
Total			£291,272	£291,272

5. Options Analysis

- 5.1. This grant is available as a 1-year continuation funding from Home Office for 2022-3. It cannot be used for any new projects or other activity that were not part of the original (2021-22) bid. The PFCC has the opportunity not to accept/allocate this funding but that would reduce the ability to deliver on the objectives in the PFCC's Police and Crime Plan and the SETDAB Partnership strategy.

6. Consultation and Engagement

- 6.1. This work was referenced at the SETDA Strategic Development Group meeting on 26th July 2022 & the PFCC's Senior Management Team meeting on 16th August.

7. Strategic Links

- 7.1. This work delivers against the PFCC's Police and Crime Plan objective to invest in crime prevention and break the cycle of domestic abuse. It also supports the SETDAB strategy outcome to support and disrupt perpetrators to change their behaviour.

8. Police operational implications

- 8.1. Part of this funding will be allocated to Essex Police to deliver their DA perpetrator comms campaign.

9. Financial implications

- 9.1. The PFCC will allocate one-off grants to the organisations listed in section 4.2 of this report. This funding must be utilised by end-March 2023.

10. Legal implications

- 10.1. This grant will be governed by the PFCC's standard grant agreement and Home Office grant agreement - attached.

11. Staffing implications

- 11.1. The monitoring of this grant will require PFCC resource. It is expected that this will be undertaken by the Commissioning Officer.

12. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion implications

- 12.1. An element of this funding is for an outreach project in Thurrock aimed at increasing engagement of perpetrators that may not engage in traditional support routes. In addition, the Domestic Violence Prevention Order element of the project aims to improve our engagement of those individuals referred via Essex Police. Finally, the Goodman and Sisters in Strength projects will utilise this funding to expand their offer to 10-12-year-olds, engaging those at risk of entering into abusive relationships at an earlier stage.

13. Risks and Mitigations

- 13.1. There is a risk that this funding is not fully utilised before the deadline of end-March 2023 which will result in funding having to be returned to Home Office. This has been mitigated by engaging with delivery organisations to ensure this work is achievable and by ensuring the projects are monitored closely and effectively and any potential underspends are flagged as early as possible.

14. Governance Boards

- 14.1. This proposal was flagged at the July meeting of the SETDAB Strategic Development Group and was also referenced at the PFCC's Senior Management Team meeting on 16th Aug '22.

15. Links to Future Plans

- 15.1. This proposal will support the PFCC to deliver against the Police & Crime Plan as well as supporting the priorities of the SETDAB partnership strategy.

16. Background Papers and Appendices

- 16.1. Grant agreement 163 Original
- 16.2. Grant Agreement 188 Original
- 16.3. Grant Agreement 163 & 188 variation December 2022

Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the PFCC's Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer prior to review and sign off by the PFCC / DPFCC.

Chief Executive / M.O. Sign: D Horsman

Print: Darren Horsman - Deputy Monitoring Officer

Date: 18.01.2023



Chief Finance Officer Sign:

Janet Perry - Strategic head of Performance and Resources

Print:

Date: 18.01.23

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Roger Hirst

PFCC/~~Deputy PFCC~~

Date signed: 18 January 2023

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