



Decision No 2015/17

REPORT TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

REPORT BY: Liz Broughton
Victims, Vulnerable People and Partnerships Officer

DATE: June 15, 2015

TITLE: Hate Crime victims' service

Appendix A refers

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. As part of the Police and Crime Commissioner's responsibility to provide victims' services, it has been identified there is a need for specialist services for residents who have been the victim of any form of hate crime.
2. Victims' Voice – made up of hate crime organisations Disability First and Smile Mediation – were funded to develop a model of what this specialist support should look like (Decision no: 2014/72).
3. This decision seeks approval to grant fund Victims Voice through a **£182,120** grant to deliver, for a **12 month period**:
 - A pan-Lancashire model of support and advocacy for hate crime victims.
 - A pan-Lancashire programme of hate crime education and awareness-raising, engaging with other local hate crime services.
 - A service working with Victim Support to develop a team of volunteers who will be trained as case workers and advocates to provide longer term support to victims where required.
4. Funding for the service will be granted in the form of an £136,590 grant in 2015/16 and a £45,530 grant in 2016/17.
5. A provision will exist to extend the grant funding for this service up to 31 March, 2017, to tie in with the re-commissioning of Lancashire Victim Services as a whole, subject to satisfactory performance and outcomes.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Commissioner approves a grant of £182,120 for Victims' Voice, to be split across 2015/16 and 2016/17.

That the Commissioner approves provision for this agreement to be extended until March 31, 2017, subject to satisfactory performance and outcomes of the service provider.

Decision taken by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire:

Original decision, as set out in the attached report, approved without amendment (please delete as appropriate)	YES	NO
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Original decision required to be amended and decision as detailed below:

The reasons for the amended decision are as detailed below:

Police and Crime Commissioner: Comments

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The PCC is asked to consider any personal / prejudicial interests he may have to disclose in relation to the matter under consideration in accordance with the law, the Nolan Principles and the Code of Conduct.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation.

Signed: Police and Crime Commissioner Date:	Signed: Chief Officer: Date:
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Chief Constable Date:	Chief Finance Officer: Date:
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