

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

AUTHOR:	Briony Verma
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	0115 844 5998
EMAIL ADDRESS:	briony.verma@notts.police.uk
DECISION OR INFORMATION:	Decision
DATE RECEIVED:*	19.03.24
REF:* (to be inserted by the OPCC)	2024.037

TITLE:	Sexual Violence Needs Assessment – Qualitative Element
---------------	--

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

A sexual violence needs assessment is required to identify the impact of increased waiting lists on survivors of sexual violence accessing specialist services. This has been discussed and agreed with the Joint Sexual Violence Governance group. Whilst funding is currently in place for sexual violence support services, a substantial reduction in funding is projected from April 2025. The needs assessment will inform commissioning priorities from 2025 onwards.

The assessment will contain qualitative research in the form of focus groups set up with the assistance of specialist sexual violence support service providers and an independent VAWG consultant. These focus groups will include voices of survivors and case studies, hearing from those who are waiting for, are receiving, have received service, and those not in contact with services. Focus groups will also be set up with practitioners from these services to obtain their views and experiences.

The outcomes of the qualitative research will be published alongside quantitative research being carried out by analysts from the Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner.


The PCC is requested to authorise up to £10,000 to fund this research, subject to receiving a satisfactory workplan.

INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (eg report or business case)

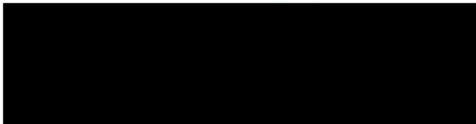
The sexual violence needs assessment will contain a mixture of quantitative and qualitative research in order to identify key themes in order to make recommendations for specialist sexual violence support services and inform commissioning priorities from April 2025 onwards.

The assessment will be completed in conjunction with providers themselves to ensure the safety of the survivors taking part.

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

FINANCIAL INFORMATION	
The PCC is requested to authorise up to £10,000 to fund this research, subject to receiving a satisfactory workplan. The funding is within the 2024/2025 grants and commissioning budget.	
Signature: Chief Finance Officer	
Date:	19.03.24

Is any of the supporting information classified as non-public or confidential information?*	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please state under which category from the guidance**				
DECISION:				
The PCC is requested to authorise up to £10,000 from the 2024/2025 commissioning budget to fund this research, subject to receiving a satisfactory workplan.				

OFFICER APPROVAL:	
I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that the appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.	
Signature: Chief Executive	
Date:	19.03.24

DECLARATION:
I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below: The above request has my approval

** See guidance on non-public information

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

Signature: Nottinghamshire Police & Crime Commissioner	
Date:	19.03.24