# MAYOR OF LONDON OFFICE FOR POLICING AND CRIME

**DMPC Decision - PCD 834** 

Title: Sexual Violence Support and ISVA funding

## **Executive Summary:**

In January 2020, the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) ran a national competition for Independent Sexual Violence Advocate (ISVA) funding with a pot of £1m per annum available. MOPAC submitted an expression of interest (EOI) to increase the ISVA provision in the London Survivors Gateway but was not successful in this round.

In May 2020 the MoJ announced they would be increasing this funding pot by £3m per annum and in June 2020 invited MOPAC to confirm whether the EOI originally submitted was still a valid proposal. It was made clear that an additional EOI or alternative submissions would not be considered.

MOPAC confirmed the EOI was still valid and on 8 July 2020 the MoJ advised MOPAC that they were successful for a proportionate value of the original EOI. The funding is available from 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2022.

This decision is to accept the award from the MoJ and to enable the commissioning of this funding to increase ISVA provision within the London Survivors Gateway as well as extend the current end date.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime is recommended to:

- 1. accept the MoJ award of £536,000 (£216,000 in 2020/2021 and £320,000 in 2021/2022) to increase ISVA provision within the London Survivors Gateway;
- 2. extend the current grant period end date of the London Survivors Gateway to 31 March 2022;
- 3. approve the reprofiling and variation of the existing London Survivors Gateway grant agreement to include the additional ISVA provision; and
- 4. delegate the approval of detailed arrangements to enable the disbursement of these additional funds and grant variation to the Chief Finance Officer.

#### **Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime**

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct. Any such interests are recorded below.

The above request has my approval.

PCD November 2018

Signature Spul hunden

Date 22/10/2020

#### PART I - NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE DMPC

# 1. Introduction and background

#### **London Survivors Gateway**

- 1.1. In 2017 MOPAC were awarded funding over three financial years (Decision PCD291) through the Home Office VAWG transformation fund and Police Transformation Fund to support earlier intervention. Match funding was contributed by MOPAC and NHS England with the agreement to run until March 2020.
- 1.2. This funding enabled the London Survivors Gateway to be established to develop a new way for survivors of sexual violence to access support in terms of advocacy, counselling and wider advice across the services commissioned in the capital. The project is being evaluated by MOPAC's Evidence and Insight Team which is using a logic model to assess the consistency of access. An interim report has recently been published with a final report due in the early Autumn 2020.
- 1.3. The London Survivors Gateway is a partnership arrangement between the four London Rape Crisis Centres, Survivors UK and Galop and is led by Women and Girls Network who manage the West London Rape Crisis Centre. The London Havens (SARC) are also affiliated with the project although they are not a delivery partner.
- 1.4. In October 2019, the DMPC approved the sustainment of the London Survivors Gateway (PCD639) from April 2020 to September 2021 through the Mayor's VAWG Fund, a £15million investment in Violence and Girls (VAWG) support services.
- 1.5. In January 2020 MOPAC was invited, along with all other Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC), to submit an expression of interest (EOI) for the recruitment of additional Independent Sexual Violence Advocates (ISVA). There was £1m per annum of funding available. MOPAC submitted an expression of interest (EOI) to increase the ISVA provision in the London Survivors Gateway but were not successful in this round.
- 1.6. In May 2020 the MoJ announced they would be increasing the funding available for ISVAs by £3m per annum and in June 2020 invited MOPAC to confirm whether the EOI originally submitted was still a valid proposal. It was made clear that an additional EOI or alternative submissions would not be considered. MOPAC confirmed the EOI was still valid and on 8 July 2020 the MoJ advised MOPAC that they were successful for a proportionate value of the original EOI. The funding is available from 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2022.
- 1.7. Women and Girls Network, the lead provider of the London Survivors Gateway, were also successful in securing £417,707 of MoJ emergency funding for domestic abuse and sexual violence services in response to Covid-19 (PCD772). The funding is enabling the partnership to increase all elements of the project and its capacity to better respond to the changing needs and experiences of victim-survivors

1.8. MOPAC intends to reprofile the existing grant with Women and Girls Network, utilising the two additional funding streams, to enable the service to be extended by six months, to 31 March 2022, whilst also increasing overall capacity in each part of the service

#### 2. Issues for consideration

- 2.1. The project delivers initial and enhanced support to survivors of sexual violence through a pan London single point of contact approach. The project has two main delivery elements: a navigator led triage system that processes most of the rape and sexual abuse victim support referrals from the MPS as well as specialist ISVAs in each of the partner organisations who support people experiencing multiple disadvantage. The project also handles self and other agency referrals, although each partner maintains their own local referral arrangements.
- 2.2. The additionality provided by this funding will increase specialist ISVA provision in each of the partner organisations as well as bring in additional speciality to support victim-survivors with learning disabilities and the opportunity to develop provision to better support young black women who are disproportionality affected by sexual violence in London.
- 2.3. Utilising the MoJ ISVA award and reprofiling the Mayoral allocation and MoJ Covid-19 funding to extend the current grant agreement by six months period will ensure new staff are offered longer employment contracts which creates a more resilient workforce. Workforce development is also being addressed to ensure that people are brought into the sector as well as retained in the sector through career development pathways.

#### 3. Financial Comments

- 3.1. This decision requests approval to accept additional MoJ ISVA funding of £536,000. It also seeks approval to reprofile the grant and vary the total awarded to London Survivors Gateway by £50,000. from £925,000 to £875,000.
- 3.2. The new MoJ funding award of £216,000 and £320,000 (in 20/21 and 21/22 respectively) is for the provision of six Independent Sexual Violence Advisers (ISVA) within the Survivors Gateway until 31 March 2022.
  - 3.3. This additional grant will uplift support funding for survivors of sexual violence and allow the grant funding to the London Survivors Gateway to be reprofiled beyond the existing project end date of September 2021 for a further six months to 31 March 2022, with a revised grant award of £1,828,707 as set out below.

ISVA project Funding Stream	DMPC Decision	Approved Budget £	Grant reprofile request 2020/21 £	Grant reprofile request 2021/22 £	Grant variation £	Total Revised Grant Award £
Mayoral Funding	PCD639	925,000	161,406	713,594	-50,000	875,000
MoJ Extraordinary Funding	PCD772	417,707	417,707	ı	-	417,707
Existing Grant Funding		1,342,707	579,113	713,594	-50,000	1,292,707
MoJ Rape Support ISVA Funding	-		216,000	320,000	-	536,000
Revised Total Funding			795,113	1,033,594		1,828,707

- 3.4. The Mayoral approval of £925,000 will reduce by £50,000 due to the new MoJ funding.
- 3.5. The variation of £50,000 will be retained within the Mayor's VAWG Fund Tranche 2 (Sustaining Key Innovations) allocation.
- 3.6 The grant award requests no match funding from MOPAC and there is also no indirect MOPAC service costs built into the above grant award profile.

# 4. Legal Comments

- 4.1. MOPAC's general powers are set out in the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). Section 3(6) of the 2011 Act provides that MOPAC must "secure the maintenance of the metropolitan police service and secure that the metropolitan police service is efficient and effective." Under Schedule 3, paragraph 7 MOPAC has wide incidental powers to "do anything which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the exercise of the functions of the Office." Paragraph 7(2) (a) provides that this includes entering into contracts and other agreements.
- 4.2. Section 143 (1) (b) of the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 provides an express power for MOPAC, as a local policing body, to provide or commission services "intended by the local policing body to help victims or witnesses of, or other persons affected by, offences and anti-social behaviour."
- 4.3. The recommendations in this decision are in line with the legislation and MOPAC's Scheme of Consent and Delegation. In line with section 4 of the Scheme, the DMPC has the authority for the:
  - approval of business cases for revenue or capital expenditure of £500,000 or above (paragraph 4.8); and
  - approval of unforeseen contract variations and extensions to contracts (paragraph 4.13).

#### 5. Commercial Issues

5.1. The proposed grant variation is required to enable MOPAC to discharge duties associated with the provision of grant funding in relation to local commissioning of

Victims' Support Services. Funding has been awarded by the Ministry of Justice for the purposes set out above and must be prescribed accordingly and as per the successful bid that was submitted by MOPAC to the Ministry of Justice.

# 6. Public Health Approach

6.1. Grant award and variation is informed by the Mayor's public health approach to violence reduction and therefore part of MOPAC's contribution to overall efforts led by the Violence Reduction Unit.

# 7. GDPR and Data Privacy

- 7.1. MOPAC will adhere to the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018 and ensure that any organisations who are commissioned to do work with or on behalf of MOPAC are fully compliant with the policy and understand their GDPR responsibilities.
- 7.2. MOPAC will collect data relating to service delivery to inform commissioning decisions and to monitor performance against grant expectations.

# 8. Equality Comments

8.1. MOPAC is required to comply with the public sector equality duty set out in section 149(1) of the Equality Act 2010. This requires MOPAC to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations by reference to people with protected characteristics. The protected characteristics are: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

# 9. Background/supporting papers

**PCD 639** 

**PCD 772** 

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#### Part 1 Deferral:

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? NO

If yes, for what reason:

Until what date:

**Part 2 Confidentiality:** Only the facts or advice considered as likely to be exempt from disclosure under the FOIA should be in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a Part 2 form - NO

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION	Tick to confirm statement (✓)
Financial Advice:	
The Strategic Finance and Resource Management Team has been consulted on	✓
this proposal.	
Legal Advice:	
Legal advice is not required.	<b>✓</b>
Equalities Advice:	
Equality and diversity issues are covered in the body of the report.	<b>✓</b>
Public Health Approach	
Due diligence has been given to determine whether the programme sits within	✓
the Violence Reduction Unit's public approach to reducing violence.	
Commercial Issues	
The Contract Management Team has been consulted on the commercial issues	
within this report. The proposal is in keeping with the GLA Group Responsible	•
Procurement Policy.	
GDPR/Data Privacy	
GDPR compliance issues are covered in the body of the report	✓
A DPIA is not required.	
Director/Head of Service:	
The Head of Policy and Commissioning has reviewed the request and is satisfied it	✓
is correct and consistent with the MOPAC's plans and priorities.	

# **Chief Executive Officer**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities 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 Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime.

Signature

Date 14/10/2020

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**DMPC Decision - PCD 639** 

Title: Mayor's VAWG Fund – Sustaining Innovation Sexual Violence Triage

# **Executive Summary:**

Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) is a key priority in the Mayor's Policing and Crime Plan (2017-21). The refreshed London VAWG Strategy (2018-21) aims to reduce the prevalence of VAWG in London, tackling perpetrators and supporting victims and survivors.

This decision sets out the proposed approach to sustain the Sexual Violence Triage project that is currently part of the Home Office VAWG transformation programme. The current funding arrangement ceases in March 2020 and MOPAC seeks to sustain the project as part of Tranche 2 of the Mayor's VAWG Fund to be able to evaluate the impact of the project on managing the demand on MOPAC funded sexual violence support services.

The project is publicly known as the London Survivors Gateway and is delivered by a consortium led by Women and Girls Network.

The proposed funding arrangement for this project is included as part of the additional £15 million announced by the Mayor on 27th February 2019 (https://www.london.gov.uk/press\_releases/mayoral/mayors-15m-boost-to-tackle-violence).

#### Recommendation:

The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime is recommended to approve the award of a direct grant up to the value of £925,000 across an eighteen-month period (April 2020 to September 2021) to Women and Girl's Network as the lead provider of the Sexual Violence Triage.

# **Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime**

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct. Any such interests are recorded below.

The above request has my approval.

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Date 27/11/2019

#### PART I - NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE DMPC

# 1. Introduction and background

- 1.1. In 2017 MOPAC were awarded funding over three financial years (Decision PCD291) through the Home Office VAWG transformation fund and Police Transformation Fund to support earlier intervention.
- 1.2. The Sexual Violence Triage project, publicly known as the London Survivors Gateway was established to develop a new way for survivors to access support in terms of advocacy, counselling and wider advice across the services commissioned in London. The project is being evaluated by MOPAC's Evidence and Insight Team which is using a logic model to assess the consistency of access, an interim report has recently been published with a final report due in July 2020.
- 1.3. The Mayor has committed to invest £15million of new money, across a three-year period to improve and increase the support that is available to victims and survivors of VAWG. This will be delivered in four tranches, the sustaining of the project is considered under Tranche 2
- 1.4. £3.4million has been allocated to Tranche 2; two further Home Office transformation projects are also being sustained as part of this budget.

#### 2. Issues for consideration

- 2.1. The project delivers initial and enhanced support for 1500 people per year through single pan-London point of contact for survivors; Complex Needs Independent Sexual Violence Advocates in 6 partner organisations; and outreach services pan-London. It is also testing significant partnership arrangement which for the first time are bringing London's specialist sexual violence support providers together to deliver a fully inclusive pan-London service. The project has been based on the Essex Synergy Model but in addition includes the inclusion of male services and complex need ISVA's.
- 2.2. The Home Office Funding ends in March 2020 and MOPAC intends to sustain the project;
  - To utilise the full findings of the project evaluation to understand the impact of the project and how this affects the demand on MOPAC funded sexual violence support services.
  - To enable MOPAC and the Mayor to meet key priority areas in the Police and Crime Plan and VAWG Strategy. Further investment is required to ensure the commitments are fully delivered upon after the current funding arrangements ceases;
- 2.3. MOPAC intends to award the funding across an eighteen-month period to allow sufficient time for continued service delivery whilst the evaluation is finalised, as well as time for a strategy to be developed which will sustain the service improvements the evaluation identifies and that can then be enabled through integration with wider core sexual violence services.

# 3. Financial Comments

Budget	2020/21	2021/22	Total
Sexual Violence Triage	£615,000	£310,000	£910,000
Award a grant of up to;			

# 4. Legal Comments

- 4.1. In line with section 4 of MOPAC's Scheme of Consent and Delegation, the DMPC has authority for the:
  - award of MOPAC contracts with a total value of £500k or above (section 4.15);
  - approval of the strategy for the award of individual grants and the award of all individual grants (section 4.8).
- 4.2. In line with section 5.22 of MOPAC's Scheme of Delegation, the Chief Executive Officer has authority for the finalisation of planning and contractual/grant arrangements, including relevant terms and the signing of contracts and grant agreements.

## 5. Commercial Comments

- 5.1. The recommendation made in this report follows the principle requirements as documented in the MOPAC Contract Regulations and authorisation requirement as in the MOPAC Scheme of Delegation.
- 5.2. The programme managers will continue to monitor progress against project milestones which are documented under item 2. Such actions will help mitigate risk and ensure the contract delivers value for money.

# 6. Public Health Approach

6.1. This Grant Award is informed by the Mayor's public health approach to violence reduction and therefore part of MOPAC's contribution to overall efforts led by the Violence Reduction Unit.

# 7. GDPR and Data Privacy

- 7.1. The programme uses personally identifiable data of members of the public. GDPR issues are identified and mitigations will be put in place through an updated or fresh Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be completed by the provider(s), who will be the data controller(s) for the programme.
- 7.2. These requirements will be reflected in the standard GPDR compliance clauses contained within all contracts/agreements for this programme.

#### 8. Equality Comments

8.1. The Equality Act 2010 puts a responsibility on public authorities to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination and promote equality of opportunity.

- 8.2. This requires MOPAC to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations by reference to people with protected characteristics. The protected characteristics are: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- 8.3. The promotion of VAWG support services supports MOPAC's equalities duties.
- 8.4. MOPAC is clear that the outputs from this programme of work will provide a better standard of provision to victims of survivors of VAWG whilst having a greater positive impact on certain groups in society who are disproportionately vulnerable to and affected by crime.
- 9. Background/supporting papers
- 9.1. PCD 291
- 9.2. PCD 448
- 9.3. PCD 633

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#### Part 1 Deferral:

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? NO

If yes, for what reason:

Until what date:

Part 2 Confidentiality: Only the facts or advice considered as likely to be exempt from disclosure under the FOIA should be in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a Part 2 form - NO

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION	Tick to confirm statement (✓)
Financial Advice The Strategic Finance and Resource Management Team has been consulted on this proposal.	<b>✓</b>
Legal Advice Legal advice is not required.	✓
Equalities Advice: Equality and diversity issues are covered in the body of the report.	✓
Public Health Approach  Due diligence has been given to determine whether the programme sits within the Violence Reduction Unit's public approach to reducing violence. This has been reviewed and supported by a senior manager within the VRU.	
Commercial Issues The Contract Management Team has been consulted on the commercial issues within this report. The proposal is in keeping with the GLA Group Responsible Procurement Policy.	✓
<ul> <li>GDPR/Data Privacy</li> <li>GDPR compliance issues are covered in the body of the report and the GDPR Project Manager has been consulted on the GDPR issues within this report.</li> <li>A DPIA has been completed and will be updated/renewed if required.</li> </ul>	<b>✓</b>
Director/Head of Service The Head of Service has reviewed the request and is satisfied it is correct and consistent with the MOPAC's plans and priorities.	<b>√</b>

## **Interim Chief Executive Officer**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities 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 Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime.

Signature

Date 25 11 2019



**DMPC Decision - PCD 772** 

Title: MoJ Emergency Funding for Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Support Services

# **Executive Summary:**

The Ministry of Justice (MoJ) announced £25 million in emergency funding to be made available for Domestic Abuse (DA) and Sexual Violence (SV) Support Services; £20 million of which is to be disbursed through Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) and a further £5 million is being made available to recipients of the National Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Fund (NRSASF). £3 million of the £20 million for PCCs is ringfenced for organisations in London who deliver DA and SV services. There are no ringfenced amounts for regions under the NRSASF pot of funding.

MOPAC has publicised this funding opportunity and invited proposals from organisations which provide tailored support to victims of DA or SV who have experienced increased demand and increased costs because of the COVID-19 related lockdown or need to increase their capacity in the coming months and throughout the recovery period as the lockdown restrictions ease.

MOPAC has undertaken an assessment of the proposals submitted by organisations and made a recommendation to the Deputy Mayor on which proposals comply with the MoJ funding parameters and will have the greatest impact. This decision seeks the approval to submit these proposals to the MoJ for allocation of funds and to put in place the necessary grant agreements or contract variations to enable the disbursement of funds.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime is recommended to:

- 1. approve the submission of MOPAC's bid for funding under the two MoJ funding pots; and
- 2. approve the award of grant funding to the relevant organisations should MOPAC's bid be successful.

# **Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime**

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I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct. Any such interests are recorded below.

The above request has my approval.

Signature Date 11/06/2020

PCD November 2018

#### PART I - NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE DMPC

# 1. Introduction and background

- 1.1. On 2nd May the Government announced £76M of extra funding to support victims and survivors of domestic abuse (DA), sexual violence (SV), vulnerable children and their families, as well as victims of modern slavery, during the COVID-19 emergency pandemic. On 19th May, the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) launched a process to distribute £20M of the £76M through Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) and a further £5m to recipients of funding from the National Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Fund (NRSASF). £3 million of the £20 million for PCCs is ringfenced for organisations in London who deliver DA and SV services. There are no ring-fenced amounts for regions under the NRSASF pot of funding.
- 1.2. To be eligible for the £20M PCC funding pot, organisations must be a registered charity, a charitable incorporated organisation, or a social enterprise, including companies limited by guarantee and community interest companies. They must provide a tailored support services which have the purpose of helping victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence to cope with the impacts of crime, and, as far as possible, recover from the harm they have experienced. To be eligible for NRSASF pot, organisations need to be established recipients under that Fund.
- 1.3. The MoJ COVID-19 extraordinary funding is for costs incurred from 24 March 2020 to 31 October 2020 to meet the additional costs registered charities or social enterprises have incurred or will incur whilst adapting their services during the pandemic, and to cope with demand increases resulting from it, during this time period. Further information on the parameters set by the MoJ on this funding opportunity can be found online here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-funding-for-domestic-abuse-and-sexual-violence-support-services#pcc-funding">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-funding-for-domestic-abuse-and-sexual-violence-support-services#pcc-funding</a>. There will also be additional requirements set out in the grant agreement between the MoJ and MOPAC, conditions of which must be adhered to when allocating funds.
- 1.4. The £3M being made available to support services in London is ring-fenced for the following:
  - £1.5M for DA services already commissioned by MOPAC, half of which will be used to uplift existing services
  - £750K for DA services not currently commissioned by MOPAC
  - £750K for SV services including services both currently commissioned and not currently commissioned by MOPAC

# 2. Issues for consideration

2.1. For the £3M ring-fenced for London, MOPAC widely advertised this funding opportunity as a result received a total 73 funding proposals from 70 different providers valuing over £4M. Following an assessment process, 24 bids were rejected in full, 16 had part of their funding requests approved, and a further 33 were approved in full. The reason some proposals were rejected in full is because the service, provider or proposal did not demonstrate a specialist DA or SV service, or because bids were for ineligible costs or costs for things funded through other government support schemes such as furlough. Similarly, the reason why some proposals were only partly funded is because some the costs claimed were not eligible expenditure under this fund or were above what is reasonable for the relevant cost item (e.g. IT and office equipment).

- 2.2. The total funding request MOPAC is recommending be submitted to the MoJ is valued at £2,998,511. Once MOPAC receives a grant agreement from the MoJ confirming the funding allocations, up to 49 new grant agreements or variations will need to be drafted and new payment arrangements set up. The final funding amounts and number of new grant agreements will be confirmed once the MoJ has approved MOPAC's submission.
- 2.3. MOPAC ran an open and transparent process in allocating this funding which has attracted successful bids from many grassroots organisations and small specialist organisations that support groups with protected characteristics. More than half of the successful applicants to this MoJ funding opportunity are providers that MOPAC has no existing relationship with or only an indirect funding relationship via the London Crime Prevention Fund, Victims Small Grants Fund, or as part of larger partnerships that MOPAC commissions directly. This is in line with Government's intentions for this grant funding and will support MOPAC to amplify the impact of the VAWG Grassroots Fund and Victims Small Grants Fund which are due to come online later this year.
- 2.4. The DMPC is asked to approve both the proposals selected for submission to the MoJ, following an internal assessment process, and the award of grants, or issuing of grant and contract variations to those organisations should MOPAC's bid to the MoJ be successful.

# 3. Financial Comments

- 3.1. MOPAC intends to bid for £2,998,511 from the £20M PCC funding, and has also submitted a bid totalling £177,346 to the £5M National Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Fund on behalf of the relevant partners. These total £3,175,857.
- 3.2. This funding is in addition to funding already within the MOPAC budget in 20/21.
- 3.3. The funding is only for use in 20/21, it cannot be used over multiple years.
- 3.4. MOPAC is unable to claim back the costs associated with administering this funding from this funding source.

# 4. Legal Comments

4.1. This decision is in line with the MOPAC's Scheme of Consent and Delegation, in which paragraph 4.8 provides the DMPC with delegated authority to approve bids for grant funding made and all offers made of grant funding; and/or where appropriate a strategy for grant giving.

# 5. Commercial Issues

5.1. Wherever possible, existing contracts and grants will be varied to incorporate this additional funding and where this is not possible then new grant agreements using MOPAC's standard term and conditions will be deployed. MOPAC will incorporate the appropriate terms and conditions from the Grant Agreement between MOPAC and MoJ into the agreement and variations with the recipients of funding to ensure money is spent in compliance with these terms.

# 6. Public Health Approach

6.1. Not applicable.

# 7. GDPR and Data Privacy

7.1. MOPAC will adhere to the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018 and ensure that any organisations who are commissioned to do work with or on behalf of MOPAC are fully compliant with the policy and understand their GDPR responsibilities.

# 8. Equality Comments

8.1. MOPAC is required to comply with the public sector equality duty set out in section 149(1) of the Equality Act 2010. This requires MOPAC to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations by reference to people with protected characteristics. The protected characteristics are: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation. As part of a need's assessment for Covid-19 related extraordinary funding has identified/will be asked to identify if they support victims with protected characteristics.

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Is there a Part 2 form - NO

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION	Tick to confirm statement (✓)
<b>Financial Advice:</b> The Strategic Finance and Resource Management Team has been consulted on this proposal.	<b>✓</b>
Legal Advice: Legal advice is not required.	<b>√</b>
<b>Equalities Advice:</b> Equality and diversity issues are covered in the body of the report.	<b>✓</b>
Public Health Approach  Due diligence has been given to determine whether the programme sits within the Violence Reduction Unit's public approach to reducing violence.	<b>✓</b>
Commercial Issues The Contract Management Team has been consulted on the commercial issues within this report. The proposal is in keeping with the GLA Group Responsible Procurement Policy.	<b>✓</b>
GDPR/Data Privacy GDPR compliance issues are covered in the body of the report.	<b>√</b>
<b>Director/Head of Service:</b> The Head of Service has reviewed the request and is satisfied it is correct and consistent with the MOPAC's plans and priorities.	<b>✓</b>

#### **Chief Executive Officer**

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I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities 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 Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime.

Signature Date 11/06/2020

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