

# **DECISION NOTICE**

Decision author and proposer:

# Subject/ Title: IDVA/ISVA Funding – 2022/23 2023/24 2024/25

Type of decision:

Deputy Mayor's	Х	Chief Officer's	
decision		decision	

# In all cases this will need to be approved by the Director Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire.

# The decision is that:

In March 2022, the Ministry of Justice confirmed that nationally £147m of funding will be committed to over a multi-year period, until the end of 2024/25 for victim services. The multi-year commitment applies to the funding the MoJ provide PCCs to commission local victim support services – namely, £69.1m 'core' funding; £27m ringfenced funding for 700 ISVA/IDVA posts; £15.7m ringfenced funding for domestic abuse and sexual violence support services and a further £3.75m for the recruitment of 300 additional IDVA/ISVA posts by 2024/25.

For the funding secured in 2022/23 GM submitted an updated needs assessment to the MoJ. GM were required to submit all ISVA/IDVA bids to the MoJ for the final decision. Out of a total of 48 bids received GM have been allocated funding for 9 FTE IDVA/ISVA posts for the spending review period (2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25). The MoJ made the final decision on the posts we received funding for. Organisations expressions of interest were submitted to the MoJ as part of the needs assessment process.

As part of the multi-year commitment the MoJ extended the ISVA/ IDVA funding secured in financial years 2020/21 and 2021/21 has been confirmed for the spending review period. Previously GM submitted bids / expressions of interest into the MoJ for this funding and the funding secured will now be extended until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. To secure this funding we produced a needs assessment and identified organisations posts should sit within working with the VCSE sector and local authorities and using available data to make these decisions.

The funding will be allocated as outlined below.

Organisation	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	Fund / position
Victim				CYP IDVA
Support -				
Rochdale	£38,166	£45,799	£45,799	
Oldham				CHIDVA
Council	£24,900	£49,800	£49,800	
SafeNet	£26,108	£34,811	£34,811	CYP IDVA
Trafford Domestic Abuse Service				0.6 CYP IDVA
(TDAS)	£22,824	£30,432	£30,432	
Endeavour	£26,663	£35,551	£35,551	CYP IDVA
Salford Foundation (Safe in Salford Partnership)	£21,979	£29,303	£29,303	0.6 YP IDVA
Stockport without Abuse	£20,417	£35,000	£35,000	1 Stalking and Harassment IDVA
LGBT Foundation				1 LGBT ISVA 0.8 LGBT
	£49,253	£79,880	£79,880	IDVA
Migdal				1 CYP ISVA
Emunah	£19,562	£29,342	£29,342	
Total	£249,872	£369,918	£369,918	9FTE

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# Continuation of funding IDVA/ISVA posts (secured 2020/21 and 2021/22)

Organisation	2023/24	2024/25	Fund / position
Bolton Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Bury Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Manchester Council	£82,198	£82,198	1 medium risk IDVA & 1

			high risk IDVA
Oldham Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Rochdale Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Salford Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Stockport Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Tameside Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Trafford Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Wigan Council	£41,099	£41,099	1 medium risk IDVA
Manchester Women's Aid	£41,099	£41,099	1 ISVA
St Mary's SARC	£82,198	£82,198	2 CYP ISVAS
Migdal Emunah	£40,000	£40,000	PT CYP & PT ISVA
GM Rape Crisis	£40,000	£40,000	1 ISVA
Survivors Manchester	£40,000	£40,000	1 ISVA
SARC	£225,000	£225,000	6.6FTE ISVAS
TOTAL	£920,386	£920,386	18.6FTE

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All funding will be subject to a grant agreement with the relevant organisation.

## The reasons for the decision are:

The additional IDVA / ISVA capacity will enable more support to be provided to CYP across Greater Manchester and will also expand our specialist by-and-for provision. The continuation of posts secured in previous financial years means we can maintain service provision within our RASSO services, specifically additional CYP posts. GM support for the medium risk offer within local authorities will also be maintained.

This will continue to assist our victims' services partners in supporting some of the most vulnerable victims in Greater Manchester, create additional capacity within services and help them cope with additional demand.

Importantly the confirmation of 3-years of funding from the MoJ will enable us to pass on this commitment to our partner organisations that funding will be in place until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. This will help to enable better staff recruitment and retention, continuity of service for victims and stability within the sector.

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This decision will contribute to priorities of the Greater Manchester strategy in the following ways:

**GMCA** Directorate Plan

- Secure, and manage, funding and investment at Greater Manchester level for agreed activity
- Work with the 10 local authorities in Greater Manchester to drive collective activity that puts Greater Manchester at the forefront of tackling social, economic, and environmental issues

GMS Delivery Plan – Police, Crime and Fire Actions

- A better service for victims of crime measured against the Victims Survey
- Tackle gender-based violence and abuse in all its forms
- Gender-based violence strategy

#### Procurement comments:

Due to the nature and structure of the grants process applied, there are no procurement concerns.

## Financial comments:

Grant agreement confirms funding for the spending review period – 2022/23, 2024/25 and 2025/26. This funding will be allocated from the MoJ General Grant Funding in relation to local commissioning of Victims Support Services.

#### Legal comments:

Grant agreements will be produced by legal, and the 3-year spending commitment will be passed onto organisations.

## **Risk Assessment:**

Potential risk in recruitment to posts this year. Will mitigate this through regular communication with organisations to ensure this is in place in-year.

# Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:

Yes – organisations have relevant safeguarding policies and procedures in place

Is safeguarding of vulnerable adults relevant and has this been considered:

Yes – organisations have relevant safeguarding policies and procedures in place

Agreed by Interim Director – Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire

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Date...9<sup>th</sup> August 2022.....

Agreed by GMCA Treasurer

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Date 10/08/2022

Agreed by Deputy Mayor Only required for a Deputy Mayor Decision on amounts of £50,000+

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Date: ...11<sup>th</sup> August 2022.....



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