

**DECISION NOTICE**

**Decision author and proposer: Matt Berry, Senior Policy and Partnerships Officer / Carol Judge-Campbell, Principal, Victims and Vulnerability**

<b>Subject/ Title:</b>
MOJ Additional IDVA/ISVA final allocation – January 24 until March 25

<b>Type of decision:</b>			
<b>Deputy Mayor’s decision</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>Chief Officer’s decision</b>	

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

<b>The decision is that:</b>				
The following IDVA/ISVA posts are funded via the MoJ ringfenced IDVA/ISVA allocation for Greater Manchester in 2023/24 and 2024/25.				
Funding for 3.5 posts are confirmed for financial year 2023/24 – funding for retention of the posts for 2024/25 is also confirmed.				
<b>Organisation</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>Total costs for 2023/24</b>	<b>Total costs for 2024/25</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>St Marys SARC – CYP ISVA</b>	1	£10,716	£42,862	£53,578
<b>Pankhurst Trust Incorporating Manchester Women’s Aid Neurodivergent IDVA</b>	1	£12,500	£50,000	£62,500
<b>Fortalice Police Perpetrated DA/SV IDVA</b>	1	£12,500	£50,000	£62,500
<b>Rochdale Women’s Welfare Associate (RWWA) 0.5 IDVA</b>	0.5	£4,688	£18,750	£23,438
	<b>3.5</b>	<b>£40,404</b>	<b>£161,612</b>	<b>£202,016</b>

**The reasons for the decision are:**

The Ministry of Justice have national ring-fenced funding to increase the number of IDVA/ISVAs to over 1000 by 2024/25. They have confirmed they are in a position to allocate the final 100 posts (additional 50 in 2023/24 and a further 50 allocated for 2024/25).

MoJ took a revised approach to this allocation, given the limited number of posts available nationally. Due to difficulties in running a needs assessment process, including timing and resources, they have not run a competitive process. Additional posts were allocated following an assessment of current ISVA/IDVA allocations alongside population – based on this Greater Manchester were offered:

- 3.5 posts in 2023/24
- 3.5 posts in 2024/25

We used priorities within the Gender Based Violence Strategy, previous work on gaps and needs across Greater Manchester, particularly in by-and-for groups and within specialist provision to allocate the posts to organisations. Organisations submitted full costings for the posts.

The 23/24 posts have funding confirmed as is the funding for retaining these posts in 2024/25.

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

This will contribute to the following Police, Crime and Fire actions for the GMS Delivery Plan:

- Tackle gender-based violence and abuse in all its forms.
- Gender-based Violence Strategy.

This also contributes towards delivery of priorities within the Standing Together Plan:

- Keeping people safe and support victims, specifically improve services to victims of sexual and domestic violence.
- Theme for action 1: tackling inequality and injustice in all its forms including Gender Based Violence.

**Procurement comments:**

The expenditure referred to in this document refers to grant funding in line with historic practice relating to ISVA and IDVA funding. There are no

significant Procurement concerns. As a related matter, the work should be reviewed in line with Subsidy Control requirements.

**Financial comments:**

This will come from CC3011 – MoJ Victims Funding. The funding is ringfenced for these posts and cannot be spent on anything other than IDVA/ISVA positions.

**Legal comments:**

Relevant grant agreements will be put in place once approved.

**Risk Assessment:**

Low risk – organisations are those we either already fund or have a previous relationship with. We are confident they will be able to recruit to posts in year and that funding will therefore be confirmed for 2024/25.

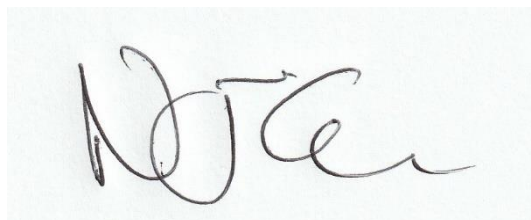
**Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:**

Yes – organisations have relevant policies and procedures in place.

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

Yes – organisations have relevant policies and procedures in place.

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



Signed.....

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Date...20<sup>th</sup> March 2024.....

**Agreed by GMCA Treasurer**

Signed 

**Date 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

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

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**Date: ...26<sup>th</sup> March 2024.....**

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