

Approved By:	Classification of Paper: Not Protectively Marked
Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/ 0007/14
Date of Decision Date of Report 4 February 2014	Area of County/Stakeholders affected Countywide
Title of report PCC Victims Capacity Building Fund - Victims Perspective	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £30,000 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the Victims Capacity Building Fund to Essex Probation, whose activities will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex, specifically, this project will lead to an improvement in the services to victims of crime in Essex.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of the Victims Capacity Building Fund grant to commission an ethnographic study to talk to victims and establish their views of what being a Victim of a Crime is like in Essex.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1 The proposal is to undertake a research project to ask Victims of Crime for their views, as Service Users, on the Criminal Justice System in Essex. The purpose of this proposed project is to ensure that, as responsibility for commissioning local victims support services shifts from central government (MoJ) to PCCs, we design the service with the views of Victims at its core. The aim of the proposal is to seek and understand, what the services provided to Victims 'look like' from their perspective – both the support provided to them and their experiences of and engagement with the services

which apprehend Offenders and bring them to Justice. The PCC and Essex Police are looking to improve the delivery of public services, ensure efficiency, effectiveness and an improved experience.

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1 The proposal is being undertaken to supplement a similar project delivered by Essex Probation as part of the Whole Essex Community Budget to inform the sector about the experience of an offender travelling through the criminal justice system. This proposal will supplement the offender voice project with one giving the victim's perspective.

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1. This proposal supports the PCC's vision and delivery of the following key areas of focus:
- Supporting our victims of crime
 - Ensuring local solutions meet local problems

6. Police Operational Implications

- 6.1 There are no operational implications.

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1 The PCC would fund a £30,000 contribution to Essex Probation.

8. Legal Implications

- 8.1 The award of the grant is subject to the PCC's standard funding agreement.

9. Staffing and other resource implications



- 9.1 There are no staffing issues

10. Equality and Diversity implications


- 10.1 This service would ensure that an underserved and hard to engage section of society would have a specific element of support.

Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the Chief Executive and CFO and the PCC Solicitor where legal implications arise.

Chief Executive/M.O 
Chief Financial Officer 
PCC Legal Advisor (As necessary)

Decision

I agree the recommendations to this report
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I do not agree the recommendations to this report because
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