

## THE POLICE CRIME & VICTIMS' COMMISSIONER FOR DURHAM

### DECISION RECORD FORM

**REQUEST:**

**Title: Provision of an Adult Integrated Offender Management Mentor Service (50 hours per week split over two posts) from Foundation for 2018/19**

**Summary:**

The Integrated Offender Management Units (IOMUs) are part of the Community Safety Partnerships' efforts to reduce reoffending. The multi-agency teams are made up of police, probation and drug workers supported by housing, and other services including Mentor support. Mentors are a key part of IOM operational delivery, providing additionality to statutory agencies' roles. They are used by the team to give one to one support where necessary, thereby providing the offender with a busy schedule of appointments, meaningful engagement, and vitally, more integration with the local community based on their identified pathway needs.

Provision of mentoring support services will include holding regular meetings with the service user to advise, support, assist, based on the individual needs identified in the pathways assessment form undertaken by the Offender Manager. They will provide support with day to day tasks such as form-filling, preparation for interviews or medical examinations. They will provide support and access to life skills and give advice on day to day self-care and living skills, including personal hygiene, health awareness, basic first aid, managing a home, budgeting skills, and paying bills. The mentor will signpost and administer appropriate referrals to a package of pathway support services based around the recognised drivers for offending and provide assistance with the identification of financial support or benefits. IOM Clients will be encouraged to engage in third sector diversionary activities wherever possible and if appropriate based on risk act as an advocate in dealing with benefit agencies, bailiffs, appeals and tribunals, courts, solicitors, family members, health providers, housing, treatment services, and pharmacists.

The mentor will initially transport IOM clients to and from appointments to enable them to eventually be able to make appointments unaided, and conduct joint visits with offender managers, if appropriate based on risk. They will promote community integration, motivate, encourage and offer hope by being a positive role model, and challenge inappropriate attitudes and behaviour, and they will complete support plans, including goal setting, with IOM clients, based on the pathways assessment form, and post-intervention reports.

**Decision: The PCVC agrees to contribute £48,000 towards the IOMU Mentor programme.**

**OPCVC Lead Officer: Alan Reiss**

**Contractor Details (if applicable):**

**Implications:**

Has consideration been taken of the following:

Yes

No

Financial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Legal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Equality & Diversity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Human Rights	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sustainability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Risk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Consultation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**(If yes please provide further details below)**

## Decision Required – Supporting Information

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCVC's CFO where the decision has financial implications)

The £48,000 will be funded from the Reducing Reoffending budget in 2018/19

Legal Implications: (Must include comments of the Monitoring Officer where the decision has legal implication)

No legal implications

Equality and Diversity Implications

No specific equality and diversity implications

Human Rights Implications

No specific human rights implications

Sustainability Implications

No specific sustainability implications

Risk Management Implications

No specific risk management implications

Consultations

No specific consultation took place

### OFFICER APPROVAL

#### Chief Executive

I have been consulted about the decision and confirm that financial, legal, and equalities advice has been taken into account. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

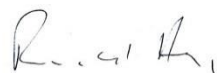
Signed:



Date: 09/04/2018

### Police and Crime Commissioner:

Signed:



Date: 10/04/2018