

Subject: Sue Lambert Trust Grant Extension

Originator: Mette Ohrvik

Decision no. 23/2025

Reason for submission: For decision

Submitted to: Sarah Taylor – Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk (PCC)

Summary:

1. This decision notice seeks the approval of the PCC to provide funding by way of Grant Agreement to the Sue Lambert Trust.
2. Under this Grant Agreement the Sue Lambert Trust will provide specialist support for women, men and children aged 11+ (boys and girls) who have recent victims of sexual abuse/violence/child sexual abuse, both recent and historic, incorporating those protected characteristics.
3. This Grant will allow the Sue Lambert Trust to provide specialist support to those victims/survivors in the districts of Norwich, Broadland and South Norfolk.
4. The Trust will provide counselling services and group work to clients to enable them to cope and recover from the trauma that they have experienced.

Recommendation:

That the PCC supports this decision to extend funding to Sue Lambert Trust for period 1st October 25 – 31st May 2026.

Outcome/approval by: PCC

The recommendations as outlined above are approved.

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Signature:

Date: 02/07/2025

Detail of the submission

1. Objective:

- 1.1 To provide specialist counselling services to victims/survivors of sexual abuse/violence/child sexual abuse, both recent and non-recent.
- 1.2 Services will be promoted and provided to people with protected characteristics.
- 1.3 Specialist counselling services will be available to women, men and children aged 11 plus, free of charge in the districts of Norwich, Broadland and South Norfolk.

2. Background:

- 2.1 This grant is to support the needs of victims of sexual abuse/violence/childhood sexual abuse by way of counselling services
- 2.2 The OPCCN is currently completing a review of support provision for victims of sexual violence and abuse in Norfolk. Pending decisions on future services there is a need to extend existing service provision so that the needs of victims continue to be met.
- 2.3 The funding under the Grant Agreement will be extended to 31st May 2026 – the terms and conditions of the Grant will remain the same.

3. Areas for consideration:

- 3.1 The service delivered by the Sue Lambert Trust must complement and work with other commissioned specialist counselling services who support victims/survivors of sexual abuse/violence/rape across the county to ensure coverage, choice for victims and localism. These services include:
 - a. The Rowan Project delivered by the Daisy Programme in Breckland
 - b. The Lotus Programme delivered by the One to One Project in North Norfolk and West Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary
 - c. Brave Futures, delivering a service for Children 11+ across all districts of Norfolk.
 - d. The Harbour Centre – Norfolk Sexual Abuse Referral Centre.

4. Other options considered:

- 4.1 Not to fund – this was rejected as this would put victims/survivors at greater risk.

5. Strategic aims/objective supported:

5.1 The PCC has a statutory obligation to set out Police and Crime objectives through the Police and Crime Plan 2025-29. The PCC's priorities are

- Preventing crime
- Cohesive communities
- Reducing harm

5.2 This grant will support the pillar - Reducing harm

5.3 The primary statutory legislation that drives the commissioning of services to support victims/survivors of sexual violence and abuse across the Local Authority and Police force areas are:

- Crime and Disorder Act 1998
- Domestic Violence Crime and Victims Act 2004
- Children Act 1989 and 2004
- Health and Social Care Act 2012
- Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012
- Equality Act 2010
- Directive 2012/29/EU of the European Parliament establishing minimum standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime Directive 2012/29/EU
- Code of Practice for Victims of Crime – MOJ Victims Code 2020
- Home Office Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy
- Domestic Abuse Act 2021

6. Financial and other resource implications:

6.1 The total of the Grant value is £120,000 (one hundred and twenty thousand pounds).

6.2 The funding will be for the delivery of services for the 8-month period 1 October 2025 – 31 May 2026.

6.3 The funding will be paid from the Commissioning Reserves Budget.

7. Carbon Emissions and Other Environmental Implications:

Carbon Emissions

7.1 The estimated impact on our carbon emissions that must be reported under current statute from this proposal is:

Emission Categories:	Increase in tCO2	Saving in tCO2
Scope 1 – Fuel – Building Heating	0	0
Scope 1 – Fuel – Transport	0	0
Scope 2 – Electricity	0	0

Environmental Implications

7.2 No material implications

8. Other implications and risks:

8.1 There are no foreseen major implications or risks associated with this decision at this time.

Originator checklist (must be completed)	Please state 'yes' or 'no'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	NO
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	YES
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	YES
Have human resource implications been considered?	YES
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	YES
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	YES
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	YES
Have sustainability and environmental factors been considered? (e.g. biodiversity, employee commuting, business travel, waste and recycling, water, air quality, food and catering and estates construction)	YES
In relation to the above, have all relevant issues been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission?	YES

Is this report a Confidential Decision?

NO

If Yes, please state reasons below having referred to the [PCC Decision Making Policy](#)

Approval to submit to the decision-maker (this approval is required only for submissions to the PCC).

Chief Executive

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report, that the recommendations have been reviewed and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the PCC.

Signature:



Date: 03/07/2025

Chief Finance Officer (Section 151 Officer)

I certify that:

- a) there are no financial consequences as a result of this decision,
Or
- b) the costs identified in this report can be met from existing revenue or capital budgets,
Or
- c) the costs identified in this report can be financed from reserves
And
- d) the decision can be taken on the basis of my assurance that Financial Regulations have been complied with.

Signature:



Date: 03/07/2025

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