

## **Subject: Child and Adolescent to Parent Violence and Abuse (CAPVA) programme 2025-26**

**Originator:** Serious Violence Programme Lead

**Decision no.** 27/2025

**Reason for submission:** For decision

**Submitted to:** PCC

### **Summary:**

The Norfolk CAPVA project has been granted a one-year extension of Home Office funding to continue delivery until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026. The project will continue to deliver the Respect Young Peoples Programme (RYPP) for families where children/adolescents are abusive or violent towards their parents/carers, known as Child and Adolescent to Parent Violence and Abuse (CAPVA) in partnership with; Respect, Norfolk Youth Justice Service (NYJS), Norfolk Children's Service (NCS), Police, Norfolk Integrated Domestic Abuse Service (NIDAS), managed by Leeway, Cup-O-T: Wellness and Therapy Services, participating schools, University of East Anglia (UEA) Consulting Limited and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk. The project offers support and enhanced safeguarding to children and families experiencing CAPVA. Respect will provide practice support in the delivery of the RYPP to all named providers and support them with delivery for the duration of the project (to 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2026).

The anticipated outcomes of the project are to:

- Reduce verbal aggression, severity of violence and abuse in close relationships.
- Improve emotional well-being (coping with anxiety, anger, depression, emotional self-regulation), inclusive or therapeutic and clinical support offers for children/adolescents.
- Improve family communication, relationships and feelings of safety for all.
- Build parenting confidence and skills by a trained workforce who are supported and supervised by a nationally accredited organisation.
- Increase the children/adolescent's insight to their own behaviour and reduce their risk to others.

The one-year project extension aims to receive up to 126 referrals for the 12-week Respect Young Peoples Programme into the NYJS, NCS, NIDAS and participating schools. The project will offer those families assessed as suitable the opportunity to engage with the approach across the life of the funding.

In addition, we will offer up to 8 children specialist therapeutic support throughout the year through our partner organisation Cup-O-T: Wellness and Therapy Services. Clinical and therapeutic support is currently in place for those families already identified and engaging with NYJS and NCS.

The University of East Anglia Consulting Limited will continue and further develop the independent academic evaluation of the Norfolk CAPVA project.

### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended the PCC provides funding to deliver the extension of the CAPVA programme of interventions, enabling delivery of the Norfolk PCC's successful bid to the Home Office's Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Intervention Fund.

**Outcome/approval by:** PCC

*The recommendations as outlined above are approved.*

**Signature:**

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**Date:** 09/07/2025

## Detail of the submission

### 1. Objective:

- 1.1 Continue to deliver the Norfolk CAPVA project enabling partners to deliver the Respect Young Peoples Programme (RYPP) for families experiencing child or adolescent to parent violence or abuse (CAPVA). The partners are Respect, Norfolk Youth Justice Service (NYJS), Norfolk Children's Service (NCS), Police, Norfolk Integrated Domestic Abuse Service (NIDAS), and Cup-O-T: Wellness and Therapy Services, participating schools, University of East Anglia (UEA) and the OPCCN. This will offer support and enhanced safeguarding to children and families experiencing CAPVA

### 2. Background:

- 2.1 Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) is a top Government priority. These crimes can have lasting and severe impacts on the physical and mental health of victims, their families, communities and the economy. According to the Crime Survey for England and Wales year ending March 2020, an estimated 2.3 million victims experienced domestic abuse in the last year. Whilst both men and women can be victims of VAWG crimes, they disproportionately affect women and girls.
- 2.2 In 2021, the Domestic Abuse Act received Royal Assent. The 2021 Act established a general-purpose legal definition of domestic abuse which incorporates a range of abuses beyond physical violence – including emotional, controlling or coercive, sexual, and economic abuse. Additionally, on 8 July 2022, the government published the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 Statutory Guidance to support implementation of the domestic abuse legal definition and convey best practice. The guidance is intended to support frontline professionals in identifying and understanding domestic abuse, as well as its impact on victims. It encourages best practice in the response of various agencies and organisations, including employers.
- 2.3 The Home Office committed up to £18 million per year over 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 towards the Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Intervention Fund. The fund welcomed proposals that cover children and adolescent to parent violence and abuse (CAPVA) and proposals had a minimum bid value of £300,000. In 2025 the Home Office announced a continuation of the Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Intervention Fund for the funded interventions until the 31st March 2026.
- 2.4 The aim of the Fund is to increase availability of interventions for perpetrators of domestic abuse, with the ultimate aim of reducing reoffending and protecting

victims and survivors and their children. The Home Office are specifically looking for evidence of the following objectives:

- Sustained reduction, frequency, and gravity of abuse;
- Reduction in risk posed by the perpetrator;
- Improved safety, and feelings of safety, for any associated victims and their children.

2.5 The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioners for Norfolk (OPCCN) have been awarded an additional £305,000 of funding for the financial year 2025/26 to continue and further develop the CAPVA project in Norfolk through this fund.

2.6 Utilising this funding award, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk will lead the CAPVA project to deliver and embed the Respect Young People's Programme (RYPP) as part of an integrated response to CAPVA in Norfolk. The RYPP is an evidence-led intervention for families where children or young people aged between 8 and 18 are abusive or violent towards the people close to them, particularly their parents or carers.

2.7 The programme works with young people and their families, encouraging everyone to take a role in stopping the abuse and learning respectful ways of managing conflict, difficulty, and intimacy.

2.8 Respect will provide practice and implementation support to partners to deliver the programme, which will be delivered in partnership with Norfolk Youth Justice Service (NYJS), Norfolk Children's Service (NCS), Police, Norfolk Integrated Domestic Abuse Service (NIDAS), Cup-O-T: Wellness and Therapy Services and participating schools, UEA and OPCCN.

2.9 The anticipated outcomes of the project are to:

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2.10 The one-year project extension aims to receive 126 referrals for the 12-week Respect Young Peoples Programme into the NYJS, NCS, and NIDAS and participating schools. The project will offer those families assessed as suitable the opportunity to engage with the approach across the life of the funding.

2.11 In addition, up to 8 children will be offered specialist therapeutic support per year through partner organisation Cup-O-T: Wellness and Therapy Services. Clinical and

therapeutic support is currently in place for those families already identified and engaging with NYJS and NCS.

2.12 The University of East Anglia Consulting Limited will continue the independent academic evaluation of the Norfolk CAPVA project.

2.13 The partners in this bid will each provide a representative for the CAPVA Programme Partnership, a subgroup within the Norfolk County Community Safety Partnership Governance Structure. This group will be responsible for collaborating in the delivery of the programme.

### **3. Areas for consideration:**

3.1 This report recommends that the OPCCN's successful bid to the Home Office's Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Intervention Fund is implemented in full

3.2 The agreed funding amount is £305,000, which will be paid to the OPCCN quarterly in arrears. Payment of the Home Office grant requires meeting key deliverables and targets, as set out in the Home Office's grant agreement with the OPCCN.

3.3 The OPCCN will, in turn be responsible for commissioning Leeway, Cup-O-T: Wellness and Therapy Services, UEA and Respect as partners in this project through funding arrangements.

### **4. Other options considered:**

4.1 Do nothing: Experiencing CAPVA can be devastating. Families report high levels of distress, and a negative impact on the mental health of all those involved. Without this funding to deliver the RYPP intervention, families will not receive innovative evidence based whole system support in response to CAPVA. Thus, this option was deemed non-proceedable.

### **5. Strategic aims/objective supported:**

5.1 This programme will support the delivery against:

- Putting Prevention First - Police and Crime Plan 2025-2029
- The Safer Norfolk Plan (2025-28) enabler: effective interventions are in place that prevent ASB and crime, their causes, make communities safer, provide support to victims and improve feelings of safety

- The Government's Tackling Domestic Abuse Plan's commitments to prioritising prevention, supporting victims and delivering a stronger system.

## 6. Financial and other resource implications:

6.1 The total value of the Home Office's grant agreement for 2025/2026 is £305,000.

6.2 The planned breakdown of this funding is:

- Respect are to be funded up to £37,401 for provision of training and support to practitioners.
- Leeway Domestic Abuse and Violence Services are to be funded up to £127,650 for provision of Family CAPVA Workers.
- Cup-O-T: Wellness and Therapy Services are to be funded up to £40,000 for therapeutic support and counselling.
- OPCCN will receive up to £75,000 for analysis and the management and administration of this fund.
- The University of East Anglia Consulting Limited will be funded up to £17,240 to provide an independent evaluation of the programme.
- £7,709 is allocated for venue costs/ travel.

## 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 No additional risks have been identified at this time.

8.2 Should there be any risk to the programme being delivered, partners are required to notify the OPCCN as per the conditions of the award.

<b>Originator checklist (must be completed)</b>	<b>Please state 'yes' or 'no'</b>
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	<b>no</b>
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	<b>yes</b>
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	<b>yes</b>
Have human resource implications been considered?	<b>yes</b>
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	<b>yes</b>
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	<b>yes</b>
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	<b>yes</b>
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)	<b>yes</b>
In relation to the above, have all relevant issues been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission?	<b>yes</b>

**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: 11/07/2025**

**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: 10/07/2025**

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