

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Public Health
Date:	16 March 2021
Title:	Serious Violence Reduction Grant
Report From:	Director of Public Health

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Public Health approves a grant to the value of £36,744 to be contributed to No Limits to extend the existing model for Reachable/Teachable Moments to Winchester and Basingstoke Emergency Departments.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The proposed grant is from the 2020/21 Home Office funded programme for Violence Reduction Units (VRUs). The VRU grant allocation is managed by Public Health to deliver the multi-agency violence reduction work programme for Hampshire. The grant allocation comes from the Home Office via the Office for Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire (OPCC) to the County Council.
- 2.2. The implementation of the 2020/21 VRU work programme has been delayed due to the impact of the pandemic, resulting in this residual amount of non-recurrent funding being available, to the value of £36,744. This is the current uncommitted spend from the total of £283,476 for 2020/21.
- 2.3. This VRU grant is received for the duration of one year with no facility to accrue to the following year, consequently if the funding is not utilised, it will be reclaimed by the Home Office.
- 2.4. The outcome of this pilot project will inform the viability of any further grant funding or commissioning of services. This is all subject to NHS contributions. Discussions are currently taking place with NHS commissioning colleagues as part of mental health crisis care.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. The fund to be allocated directly to the Emergency Departments for them to lead this work. Lack of capacity and speciality of Emergency Departments to

deliver this service would negatively impact the quality and timeliness in delivering the necessary outcomes (in reducing serious violence).

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None.

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: N/A

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: N/A

7. Statement from the decision maker:

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Judith Grajewski
Executive Member for Public Health

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