

WomensAid

Freedom of Information Request: Women's Aid Federation of England requests information regarding your commissioned services for survivors of domestic violence and abuse.

For each question apart from Question 7, please provide information broken down into the following categories:

- a) Your commissioned services for women experiencing domestic violence and abuse
- b) Your commissioned services for men experiencing domestic violence and abuse
- c) Your commissioned services which are for either women or men experiencing domestic violence and abuse
- d) Your commissioned services for groups with specific needs such as BME women, disabled women, and LGBTQ survivors experiencing domestic violence and abuse

Question number	Question	Service for women experiencing domestic abuse	Service for men experiencing domestic abuse	Service for either men or women experiencing domestic abuse	Services for groups with specific needs such as BME women, disabled women, and LGBTQ survivors experiencing domestic violence and abuse
1	What is the value of your commissioned services, and has this amount increased or decreased since it was last commissioned?			✓	✓
<p>Response: 2016/17 spend is £229,410 which is a slight increase on 2015/16 when the figure was £200,118. The PCC asks delivery partners that services are for all victims, and that they should be available for self-referral. There are therefore ticks in the last two boxes above.</p> <p>In addition to the specialist services provided Victim Support provide our victim local support services who will also support victims of domestic abuse. The value of that contract for this financial year was £1,081,339 we are unable to split this for domestic abuse victims.</p>					
2	Which organisation or organisations currently hold the contract for your commissioned			✓	✓

	services? When are these services due to be recommissioned? Please include dates of then tender documents will be available.				
Response: The PCC has continue to grant on an annual basis Keighley Domestic Violence Service and provided IDVA funding to each of the five Community Safety Partnership on a grant arrangement. These are reviewed annually,.					
3	When your services were commissioned, was an Equality Impact Assessment carried out? Has your procurement team or legal advisors ensured that your decisions were compliant with both the EU Procurement Directive and the EU Directive on Victim’s Rights?			✓	✓
Response: PCC commissioning decisions are discussed by his Executive Team and referred through to the Commissioning Group where both Regional Procurement and legal representatives provide assurance that decisions are compliant with both EU Procurement and EU Directive on Victims’ Rights.					
4	How many expressions of interest did you receive and how many final bids did you receive?			✓	✓
Response: To date these have been grant agreements with community safety and continuing service provider.					
5	How much did the commissioning process cost you?			✓	✓
Response:					

Cost has been for officers involved in writing decision papers, Executive Group decision making, Commissioning Group review and issuing of annual grant agreements – this is estimated at approximately £700 per annum.

6	Was the decision to commission your services made as part of a Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) strategy?			✓	✓
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Response:
 The PCC works closely with a wide range of partners through including his Community Safety Partnership Forum where all five geographic areas are represented, and funding decisions have been made on local needs.

 The VAWG strategy content will have a particular influence over decision making for the forthcoming year 2017/18.

7a	Did you undertake mapping of service provision as part of the commissioning protect for domestic violence and abuse?
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Response
 Mapping of all victims services in West Yorkshire was undertaken in 2014 and again in 2016.

7b	If yes, please list details of the domestic violence service providers in your local authority that are NOT commissioned by the local authority following categories: (i) services for women experiencing domestic violence and abuse (ii) services for men experiencing domestic violence and abuse; (iii) women or men experiencing domestic violence and abuse (iv) BME women, disabled women, and LGBTQ survivors experiencing domestic violence and abuse.
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Response:

 All details of services are available on the *Help for Victims* website <https://www.helpforvictims.co.uk/content/@58.htm> under support organisations after inserting a West Yorkshire postcode (WF1 1DL).

 Example of one entry

Broken Rainbow

 0300 999 5428

 Telephone helpline & online service 10am - 8pm Monday and Thursday 10am - 5pm Tuesday and Wednesday 1pm-5pm Tuesday is a trans-specific service.

Brief description of services: National LGBT Domestic Violence Helpline provides confidential support to all members of the LGBT communities, their family, friends, and agencies supporting them.

Area Covered: National

Age range: All

Self-referral: Yes

Gender: of client All

Specialisms: Domestic Violence Male and Female, LGBT

Notes: Online chat service - you can see if we are online in the bottom right of your screen. If we are not available you can leave us a message and we will email you back.