

**THE OFFICE OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
FOR DERBYSHIRE
DECISION RECORD**

Request for PCC Decision	Received in OPCC Date: May 2019	OPCC Ref: 25/ 2019
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DERBYSHIRE YOUTH OFFENDING SERVICE (DYOS): SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST (SALT) POST

Executive Summary:

1. After reviewing national research, Derbyshire Youth Offending Service (DYOS) has recognised that at least 60 % of young people involved in the Youth Justice System have speech, language and communication needs (SLCN).
2. Currently DYOS staff are not sufficiently skilled to effectively support this group of young people. The proposed project would involve DYOS working in partnership with Derbyshire CCG to address this need.
3. This would be achieved by recruiting a Speech and Language Therapist to:

Train case managers within DYOS to work more effectively with young people with SLCN and to offer consultation to case managers on SLCN.

Develop/introduce a SLCN screening tool for case managers to use with all young people in the YOS.

Ensure that DYOS staff are aware of how to access appropriate support from health services pathways for young people with SLCN.
4. To add this additional £18,770 to the existing pot of £113,480 currently provided to the Derbyshire Youth Offending Service by the PCC through the Community Safety Grant.

The provision of a professional Speech and Language Therapist will have a positive impact on the outcomes of young offenders. This to be monitored through agreed KPIs under an additional Appendix to the existing Community Safety Grant agreement.

Decision:

Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner to match fund the provision of SALT post to the sum of £18,770 (match funding agreed by DYOS) and this contribution to be provided through the Commissioner's Community Safety Grant.

Declaration

I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire. Any such interests are recorded below.

None

The above request has my approval.

Signature

Hardyal Dhindsa

Date May 2019

PUBLICATION SCHEME CONSIDERATIONS

Is the related Section B report to be published Yes

The report contains commercially sensitive information.

Is the publication of this approval to be deferred No

If Yes, provide reasons below

Date to be deferred to –

NB Statutory Instrument 2011/3050 (as amended by SI 2012/2479) states that: *all decisions made by a PCC are in the types of information that must "be published as soon as practicable after it becomes available to the elected local policing body"*.

OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive or Nominee:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report.

I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner

Name Andrew Dale

Date May 2019

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ASSURANCE BOARD

REPORT TITLE	DERBYSHIRE YOUTH OFFENDING SERVICE (DYOS): SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST (SALT) POST
REPORT BY	CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER
DATE	MAY 2019

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To outline the provision of the Commissioner's match funding contribution to the Derbyshire Youth Offending Service for a professional Speech and Language Therapist post.

ATTACHMENTS

1. None

RECOMMENDATIONS

Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner to match fund the provision of a SALT post to the sum of £18,770 and this contribution to be provided through the Commissioner's Community Safety Grant.

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OVERVIEW

1. After reviewing national research, Derbyshire Youth Offending Service (DYOS) has recognised that at least 60 % of young people involved in the Youth Justice System have speech, language and communication needs (SLCN). Currently DYOS staff are not sufficiently skilled to effectively support this group of young people. The proposed project would involve DYOS working in partnership with Derbyshire CCG to address this need. This would be achieved by recruiting a Speech and Language Therapist to:

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2. Proposed outcomes include:
 - The SALT will deliver training to case managers within DYOS. This will enable them to screen all young people's SLCN and to better work with those identified as having particular needs. The SALT will act as a consultant for DYOS staff offering specialist advice when required. Training could also be provided to Court and Police staff.
 - Re offending rates for young people in Derbyshire will show similar reductions (25%) to that evidenced in Milton Keynes. This has clear benefits for young people and the communities that they live in.

SUMMARY

To approve the Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner's match funding for the provision of a SALT post to the sum of £18,770 and this contribution to be provided through the Commissioner's Community Safety Grant.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NONE