**Ministry of Justice Additional Funding – Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Services**

On 1 February 2021, the Government announced an additional 40m funding to support victims of domestic abuse (DA) and sexual violence (SV) following charities reporting a 200% increase in calls and people accessing webchat services since the first lockdown. A proportion of this funding will be distributed at a local level via Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs).

This additional funding covers the time period 1st April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and is to meet the additional costs service providers have incurred or will incur whilst adapting their services to cope with service demand increases during this difficult time.

A full description of the funding, eligibility, process and timelines are shown in the attached document (appendix A) as well as the funding template that needs to be completed (appendix B).

If organisations have any questions or concerns about the process, they should contact Nicky Jolley, Victim & Witness Commissioning Lead, Staffordshire Commissioner’s Office at nicky.jolley@staffordshire-pfcc.pnn.gov.uk

**How to apply**

Please read the guidance document – Appendix A

If you are eligible please complete the funding template – Appendix B

Please note that organisations do not need to be a registered charity, a charitable incorporated organisation, or a social enterprise to be eligible for this funding. You must, however, provide support to victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence.

Organisations should return their completed funding form (appendix B) and a copy of your most recent annual audited accounts tonicky.jolley@staffordshire-pfcc.pnn.gov.uk by 5pm on 15 March 2021.