

Appendix 1: Summary of Funding

The Safer East Sussex Team (SEST) successfully secured several income streams during 2024/25 totalling just under £4.6m.

1. Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) New Burdens funding to provide support in safe accommodation for victims of domestic abuse: £1,114,315; this is additional to the core funding commitment into safe accommodation refuge services.
2. There has been significant investment into drug and alcohol treatment and recovery above the core funding commitment:
 - Supplementary Substance Misuse Treatment & Recovery Grant (SSMTRG): £2,028,218 (was ADDER)
 - Individual Employability Placement Support Grant (IPS-AD): £160,000
 - Rough Sleepers Drug and Alcohol Treatment Grant (RSDATG): £384,507
 - Supplementary Substance Misuse Treatment and Recovery Grant - Housing Support Grant (SSMTRG HSG): £594,304
3. East Sussex is in receipt of funding from the Home Office via the Sussex Violence Reduction Partnership and alongside partners have commissioned several interventions which are predominantly delivered by Children's Services. £226,644 was received in 2024/25 for the Habitual Knife Carriers Programme and the Whole Systems Approach to Child Exploitation.
4. In 2024/25 East Sussex also received £58,250 to implement the Serious Violence Duty. This was used to deliver a placed-based research and engagement with people who have lived experience in communities experiencing highest harms.

This funding was complemented by over £4.6m of additional funding awarded by the Office of the Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner (OSPCC) for domestic, stalking, and sexual violence initiatives, sex-work outreach, multi-crime, and road safety victim support services, and to effect behaviour change with perpetrators of domestic abuse.

In East Sussex, these include:

1. £40k for Brighton Women's Centre to offer women only hubs in St Leonards-on-Sea and Eastbourne.
2. £137k for Change, Grow, Live to offer additional Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) and Health-IDVA capacity.
3. £20k for Counselling Plus Community to provide therapeutic support to survivors of domestic and sexual violence.
4. 27k for Sussex Community Development Association to employ an IDVA to work with Black, Asian and Minority survivors of domestic abuse.

In addition, the OPCC funded a range of pan-Sussex services which benefit residents of East Sussex, including:

- Brighton Women's Centre: core costs.
- Lotus Families: for support to female victims of domestic abuse.

- Capa First Response: an online platform supporting families and professionals impacted or working with child to parent abuse.
- Friends, Families and Travellers: support for Gypsies, Roma and Travellers affected by domestic abuse.
- Hersana: provision for those affected or at risk of harmful practices, immigration advice and counselling for women from Black and Asian communities.
- Hourglass: Community Response model for older victims of domestic abuse.
- LGBT Switchboard: to employ specialist IDVAs.
- Lifecentre: counselling for victims of sexual violence.
- Mankind: to provide specialist Male Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA) and counselling support in partnership with Survivors Network.
- My Sisters House: to deliver a DART+ (Domestic Abuse Recovery Together) 10-week programme for mothers and children affected by domestic abuse.
- Oasis Project: for lived experience inclusion.
- Streetlight which supports women who face sexual violence and exploitation, alongside police operation support.
- Survivors Network: for counselling and specialist advice and support for victims of rape and sexual assault, ISVA and children's ISVA capacity, outreach and a groupwork programme.
- Sussex Police: to disrupt stalking and for buddy tags.
- The Daisy Chain Project: for the provision of pro-bono Legal Advice Service for victims of domestic abuse.
- Veritas Justice: for a Stalking Advocacy Service.
- YMCA Downlink to work with children and young people subject to exploitation alongside Sussex Police.
- Victim Support: multi-crime victim support service, including specific provision for victims of hate crime fraud and children and young people; Young Witness Service provides support to those under 16 who are attending Crown Court as a witness, and IDVAs for high-risk victims of domestic abuse.
- Brake: for support to families of fatal road incidents.

The OPCC has also funded pan-Sussex behaviour change support for perpetrators of domestic and sexual violence and abuse and stalking, with funding awarded to:

- Sussex Police
- Brighton Housing Trust
- Change, Grow, Live
- Worth Services
- Interventions Alliance
- Survivors Network
- Veritas Justice
- Victim Support