



Minutes of the special meeting of the MILTON KEYNES VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN WORKING PARTY held on THURSDAY 16 MARCH 2000 at 1.15 pm

Present:	Councillor Barton (Chair)-	Milton Keynes Council
	Rob Callow	- Milton Keynes Council
	Felicity Evans	- Milton Keynes Mediation Service
	Joan Hosker	- Milton Keynes Council
	Tony Mabbott	- Milton Keynes Council
	Francesca Skelton	- Relate MK
	James Spicer	- Milton Keynes Council
	Alison Taylor	- Linnells Solicitors
	Kate Williams	- Victim Support
	Andrew Mulholland	- Thames Valley Police
	Teresa Carr	- NHS Community Trust (Health Visitors)
	Irene Chittendon	- Milton Keynes Woman's Aid
	Tony Mabbott	- MKC Members Services Section
	Susan Sargant	- Milton Keynes General Hospital (Accident and Emergency)
	Pat Scrimshaw	- Milton Keynes Council
	Richard Solly	- MKC Corporate Policy Unit
	Ray Harnwell	- MKC Children's Services
	Cathy Humphries	- Consultant

1.0 UPDATE ON HOME OFFICE FUNDING BID PROPOSAL

The Working Party welcomed Cathy Humphries, a Senior Lecturer at Warwick University, and agreed that she could take part in the meeting.

It was noted that the Sub-Group established to endorse the Home Office funding bid had met on 15 March, and that there had been a number of unresolved issues. In particular partners expressed concern at the potential gaps left in the service. Some groups were also concerned to avoid any successful bid detracting from the work currently carried out by partners.

The Working Party considered a further draft of the proposed bid, which had been revised in the light of comments made at the Sub-Group. It was noted that the deadline for the application for Home Office funding was tight, and that a decision needed to be made as soon as possible about whether to support a proposal.

It was agreed to continue to support an application, and that comments should be submitted on the draft proposal, with a view to holding another special meeting of the Working Party to finalise the bid.

RESOLVED –

1. That the approach as described above be supported.
2. That a further special meeting of the Working Party be held on 3 April 2000 to approve the final bid for Home Office funding.

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2.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED –

That a further special meeting of the Working Party be held at 10am on Monday 3 April 2000 at the Civic Offices.

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THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 2.46PM