Role Definition

Line Manager: Victims First Supervisor (Grade F)

Staff Responsibilities: Not applicable

Purpose: Provide single point of contact for victims of crime identified as having needs, develop personalised cope and recovery plans and co-ordinate support for victims and witnesses in accordance with the Victims Code and their personal situation, circumstances and needs.

Key Responsibilities:

- 1. Create, develop and update personal care and recovery plans for victims of crime by researching and assessing their needs and agreeing appropriate support and information to help a victim cope and recover from the impact of crime.
- 2. Liaise with specialist staff, victim care partners, volunteer services and third party service providers, referring victims and co-ordinating services to ensure a victim receives the practical and emotional support they need to cope and recover.
- 3. Monitor the progress of crimes and provide information and advice to victims about their crime within specified timescales, including notification of arrests, court cases and outcomes to ensure a victim is supported throughout the life of a case.
- 4. Maintain effective communication with associated witnesses to improve witness's confidence and ensure appropriate measures are in place at court to assist vulnerable victims and witnesses with needs.
- 5. Maintain records of contact, information received and action taken to ensure accurate and up to date information and statistics are available.
- 6. Develop personal exit plans and assess outcomes of Victims First services to ensure victim satisfaction and continuous improvement of service.
- 7. Liaise with victim and offender to discuss Restorative Justice interventions, planning and preparing a Restorative Justice intervention where appropriate including liaison with partner agencies and undertaking risk assessments to ensure the safety of parties.
- 8. Co-ordinate direct and indirect Restorative Justice interventions to support the interaction between a victim and offender in order that both can find a positive way forward.

The postholder may be required to undertake such other responsibilities as are reasonably commensurate with the grade of the post.