

THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR DURHAM

DECISION RECORD FORM

Request: To agree contribution of £20,000 towards a Strategic Development Officer post

Title: UTASS Project Officer

Executive Summary:

Upper Teesdale Agricultural Support Services Ltd (UTASS) is often described as a “community anchor” and for over its 26 years of working with and for people in Upper Teesdale is recognised by a wide range of outside agencies as the “go to” organisation to gain access to and engage with farmers and their families in the Durham Dales.

UTASS has completed an organisational strength review, undertaken by external independent consultants (Rose Regeneration), which resulted in an action plan that identified the need for a new Strategic Development Officer (SDO) post. Rose Regeneration feel the SDO will position UTASS strongly as a complimentary and value adding partner, help implement joint working opportunities and address community safety priorities.

The Strategic Development Officer will oversee the process to develop new ways of working, review the latest UTASS business plan and organisational structure, control existing costs and seek new business opportunities. The SDO will proactively identify new areas for development that maximise UTASS’ sustainability.

The Strategic Development Officer post is temporary and part time (21 hours per week). The post will cost £26,000, with funding of £20,000 coming from the OPCVC and matched funding coming from:

- The Ballinger Charitable Trust (£2,000), which is secured;
- The Prince’s Charities (£1,000), which is secured;
- The Mercer’s Company (£2,000), which is applied for;
- Sir James Knott Charitable Trust (£1,000), which is applied for.

This arrangement closely aligns with the priority in the Police Crime and Victims’ Plan to ‘improve community safety in rural areas’.

Decision was made at Commissioning Board on 23rd September 2019.

Decision: To approve a contribution of £20,000 towards a Strategic Development Officer post.

OPCVC Lead Officer: Jon Carling

Contractor Details (if applicable): n/a

Implications:

Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No	
Financial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Legal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Equality & Diversity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Human Rights	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sustainability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Risk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(If yes please provide further details below)

Decision Required – Supporting Information

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC’s CFO where the decision has financial implications)

No specific financial implications.

Legal Implications: (Must include comments of the Monitoring Officer where the decision has legal implication)

No specific legal implications.

Equality and Diversity Implications

No specific equality and diversity implications.

Human Rights Implications

No specific human rights implications.

Sustainability Implications

No specific sustainability implications.

Risk Management Implications

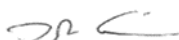
No specific risk management implications.

OFFICER APPROVAL

Acting Chief Executive

I have been consulted about the decision and confirm that financial, legal, and equalities advice has been taken into account. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.


Signed:



Date: 23/09/2019

Acting Police Crime and Victims’ Commissioner:

Signed:



Date: 23/09/2019