

THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR DURHAM

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST:

Title: To endorse the Young PCVC-sponsored projects

Executive Summary:

In Autumn 2016 the PCVC agreed to allocate £10,000 to projects sponsored by the Young Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner (YPCVC). A process was established to decide how to use this allocation:

- Police Cadets, Fire Cadets and Mini Police were asked to submit proposals for projects
- A committee of Police Cadets and Mini Police met in November 2016, chaired by the Young PCVC, met to identify which projects to fund
- These were then endorsed by the PCVC in November 2016

The projects

The successful projects are:

Video project: St George's Academy: £2000

- A video will be produced by the school, featuring young people, highlighting the consequences of anti-social behaviour. The video will be made available to the Police and to other schools as a tool to reduce anti-social behaviour leading to criminal damage.

Mini Police Education Scheme: £2000 (to DAAC)

- The project would run in 44 schools, each with 20 Mini Police Officers (a total of 880 people) over a period of 18 months. The school would be the base for the Mini Police's lessons so that the children are in a safe, secure and familiar environment. These lessons would aim to **educate** them on Policing Priorities, focusing upon topics such as Child Sexual Exploitation and Drugs and Alcohol, key topics that affect their local area and topics that are being focused upon by the local Neighbourhood Policing Team. The lesson plans would be developed by both Senior Cadets and the Primary School Teachers, and presented by DAAC Youth Workers and Cadets. The 20 Mini Police Officers from each school will then deliver a presentation on what they have learned in their lessons to their whole school.

Youth work that works (inc Youth Liaison officers): £2000 (to DAAC)

- This is a project that will be focused on responding to needs relating to youth issues in certain areas that have been identified by the community. It uses data from the Police Force's records about levels of reported 'criminal activity' in different communities that relate to young people. It will target four areas across Durham and Darlington that have the highest numbers of reported youth crime (particularly anti-social behaviour) over 12 months in order to reduce negative

perceptions of young people, and to also reduce the demand levels for Durham Constabulary. The project will take the young people to an **activity** that they would not usually get the chance to participate in, for instance climbing, fishing, etc (the activity will be on requested by them as they will be surveyed by staff to see what they would like to do). This will hopefully spark an interest with them and give them something to do of an evening, rather than being bored and making members of the community feel vulnerable by hanging around or being the cause of anti-social behaviour. A further strand of the project will be to develop Youth Liaison Officers, who will be able to speak to community and public sector organisations on behalf of other young people, representing their views in conversations about the development of services aimed at young people.

Youth Enterprise Scheme: £4000 (to DAAC)

- A project that will target vulnerable children who have been identified and referred by partner agencies. The selection will focus on three different topics that each make the young person extremely vulnerable:
 - o Bereavement
 - o Mental Health Issues
 - o Poverty

The project will see 60 young people go on outward-bound residentials, run by DAAC Leaders, Youth Workers, Cadets and Volunteers. There will be 3 residential trips each year that cater to a total of 60 young people. These residentials will give the young people skills like teamwork, communication and leadership and boost their confidence at the same time.

Decision: To approve allocations of funding to the above projects:

- **Video project: St George’s Academy: £2000**
- **Mini Police Education Scheme: £2000 (to DAAC)**
- **Youth work that works (inc Youth Liaison officers): £2000 (to DAAC)**
- **Youth Enterprise Scheme: £4000 (to DAAC)**

OPCC 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

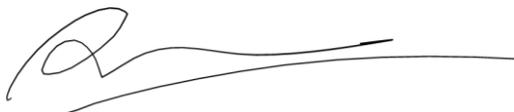
No specific risk management implications.

OFFICER APPROVAL

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.

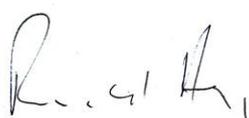
Signed:



Date: 27/01/2017

Police Crime and Victims' Commissioner:

Signed:



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