

## Police and Crime Panel

23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022

## PCC Decision Records

## Report of the Police and Crime and Commissioner

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### Purpose

1. To update Panel Members on the Police and Crime Commissioner's decision register for 2022 and address the forward plan.

### Background

2. Key decisions are made at an Executive Board comprising the PCC, the PCC's Chief Executive, the Chief Constable, and the Joint Chief Finance Officer. Other officers of the PCC or the Chief Constable will attend as and when required. On occasion it is necessary to take decisions outside of this process for reasons of expediency, but all relevant parties are consulted and informed.

### Decision Making Process

3. All key decisions are supported by a report setting out the decision required, all relevant factors to be considered, the outcome of any consultation undertaken and the risks and implications of the course of action being recommended.
4. An online record is maintained of all key decisions taken by the OPCC. This includes a link to any documents which are disclosable under FOI. This record includes decisions taken by the PCC or any person to whom delegated powers have been granted.
5. The PCC will consider holding public meetings when this will provide a means of consultation on decisions (i.e., precept consultation) where there is a clear interest in actively seeking views of the community.
6. The PCC may choose to delegate powers to any deputy appointed, her statutory officers or a senior member of police staff.
7. A record is kept of all decisions made under delegated powers detailing the factors taken into consideration, including any consultation carried out.
8. Decisions to be made by the PCC will relate in the main to her statutory functions and financial responsibilities. A Forward Plan for key decisions to be taken over a 3-month period will be published on the PCC's website.
9. Generally Key decisions are likely to include:
  - The preparation, drafting and issuing of the Police and Crime Plan
  - Issuing the precept

- Adopting a Medium-Term Financial Plan
- Commissioning of Services
- Preparation and issue of the Annual Report
- Any decision which is of significant public interest or impact either generally or on a particular locality
- Any decision which will incur revenue expenditure in excess of £100,000
- Any decision which will incur capital expenditure in excess of £100,000
- The approval of or adoption of strategies/policies
- Key procurement decisions
- Significant changes to the police estate
- Allocation of grants

10. Details of the Police and Crime Commissioner's Decision Register 2022 can be found in Appendix 2.

### **Recommendation**

11. That Panel Members note the contents of the report and ask any questions.

**Joy Allen**

**Police and Crime Commissioner**

**Finance**

All decisions with financial implications are made with value for money as a key consideration and are affordable within budgets.

**Staffing**

n/a

**Equality and Diversity**

n/a

**Accommodation**

n/a

**Crime and Disorder**

n/a

**Children's Act 2004**

n/a

**Stakeholder/Community Engagement**

Consultation with key stakeholders is carried out as appropriate to each decision.

**Environment**

n/a

**Collaboration and Partnerships**

Consultation with key partners is carried out as appropriate to each decision.

**Value for Money and Productivity**

n/a

**Potential Impact on Police and Crime Plan Priorities**

Decisions will impact directly or indirectly on the pursuit of Police and Crime Plan priorities.

**Commissioning**

Several decisions relate to commissioning of services.

**Other risks**

n/a

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Key Decisions

(Links to more detailed reports are available on the website)

Decision Number	Decision Taker	Details
2022-005	PCC	<p>The Deputy PCC on behalf of the PCC approved the proposals presented to the Commissioning Board on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Durham Pride <b>£14,849</b> to deliver tailored support to LGBTQ communities,</li> <li>• Just for Women <b>£22,000</b> to increase counselling and therapeutic interventions to address increased referral,</li> <li>• Changing Lives <b>£13,500</b> which offer support for men and women involved in sex work, survival sex and those vulnerable or exposed to sexual exploitation,</li> <li>• 700 Club <b>£7,500</b> – working with Darlington CSP who are keen to maintain this partnership working to reduce begging in Darlington Town Centre,</li> <li>• Section 59 Warning Signs <b>£1,670</b> to go up across the east of the county. The signs act as a warning not to ride illegal Off-Road Bikes and to allow enforcement in the first instance, and</li> <li>• Durham Youth Network <b>£2,000</b> – PCC to speak at the Conference at the Belmont Centre, contribution towards the event.</li> </ul>
2022-006	PCC	<p>The PCC approved (December 2020) the costs associated with the initial development and first year administration of a local Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking (MSHT) Network equating to <b>£22,500</b>. This service, co-commissioned with the Cleveland PCC Office, was awarded to the Robin Brierley Consultancy following a procurement exercise.</p>
2022-007	PCC	<p>The PCC approved the proposals presented to the Commissioning Board on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women’s Safety Hub <b>£10,000</b> contribution towards a safe space which is a night safety hub in Durham City,</li> <li>• Female Recovery through Experience and Empowerment (FREE), <b>£10,000</b> contribution towards annual expenses for this trauma informed group working with the support of the Integrated Offender Management Unit, and</li> <li>• Durham Agency Against Crime (DAAC) to fund 50% of their premises annual rental for two years @ <b>£8,000</b> per year.</li> </ul>
2022-008	PCC	<p>The PCC approved the proposals presented to the Commissioning Board on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contribute <b>£2,700</b> for the Northeast Business Resilience Centre (NEBRC) Ltd to conduct a vulnerability assessment of the Advanced Learning Partnership (ALP) Multi-Academy Trust IT systems, and a cyber security policy review, generating an actionable report on ALP cyber weaknesses, using local undergraduate student ethical hackers.</li> <li>• Brake <b>£2,000</b> contribution to the National Road Victim Service (NRVS), which is delivered by Brake and offers support to those who have been bereaved or experienced life changing injuries as a result of a road traffic incident.</li> <li>• Durham Pride <b>£2,500</b> contribution towards the 2022 event, and</li> <li>• Open Clasp Theatre Company <b>£4,500</b> contribution to the project “Change the World, One Play at a Time” which uses theatre to help transform the lives of disadvantaged women and girls.</li> </ul>

2022-009	PCC	The PCC, having regard to the discretion available to her under the 2003 Police Regulations S11(2B), has decided that it is in the public interest to offer an extension to the Fixed Term Appointment of the Chief Constable Jo Farrell for two years. The extension means the contract will expire on 9th June 2027.
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### **Forward Plan**

- Commissioning and Grant Funding for 2022/23
- PCC Annual Report