

## Police and Crime Panel

5<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## PCC Decision Records

## Report of Chief of Staff

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### Purpose

1. To update Panel Members on the Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner's decision register since the last meeting, and forward plan.

### Background

#### Decision Making Process

2. Key decisions are made at an Executive Board comprising the PCC, the PCC's Chief of Staff, 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.
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 OPCVC. 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 PCVC 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 PCVC may choose to delegate powers to any deputy appointed, his 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.

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8. Decisions to be made by the PCVC will relate in the main to his statutory functions and financial responsibilities. A Forward Plan for key decisions to be taken over a 3 month period will be published on the PCVC's website.

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 considered to be 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

Details of the Police Crime and Victims' Commissioner's Decision Register 2016 can be found in Appendix 2.

**Recommendation**

That Panel Members note the contents of the report.

**Alan Reiss**  
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## Appendix 1: Risks and Implications

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**Finance**

n/a

**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**

n/a

**Environment**

n/a

**Collaboration and Partnerships**

n/a

**Value for Money and Productivity**

n/a

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

n/a

**Commissioning**

n/a

**Other risks**

n/a

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**Key Decisions**

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

Decision Number	Decision taker	Subject
37/2016	PCVC	To make a contribution of £1000 to the Safe Durham Partnership Local Government Association peer review.
38/2016	PCVC	To make a contribution to the Just for Women Centre in Stanley –£8000 a year in 2016-17 and 2017-18 to support the THREAD project which supports vulnerable women.
39/2016	PCVC	To fund Social Enterprise Acumen with a fee of £2100 to support the Just for Women Centre in Stanley to develop a sustainable business model.
40/2016	PCVC	To fund County Durham YOS Parent Support Group / Intervention Programme (£5,000): CDYOS Parenting Support Group (PSG) delivers an accredited peer support parenting programme to parents/carers who have been victims of their son/daughter's offending.
41/2016	PCVC	To fund County Durham YOS With Youth in Mind (£5,000): This group is for young victims of youth crime and acts as both a mentoring forum and support group for young victims.
42/2016	PCVC	To fund County Durham Youth Offending Service (CDYOS), Clear Cut Communication: Training & Resource Development (£10,000): to provide a specialist post to undertake training (through liaison with the RJ Co-ordinator for Durham & Darlington) and develop resource for professionals working with victims of young offenders (£10,000).
43/2016	PCVC	To fund Harbour (£13,108) to deliver an Independent Domestic Violence Advocacy Service in court.
44/2016	PCVC	To fund an Independent Sexual Violence Advocate Service (ISVA) and training courses for volunteers (£20,000)
45/2016	PCVC	To fund an Independent Sexual Violence Advocate (ISVA) based at the Rape and Sexual Abuse Counselling Centre (RSACC) for two days per week (£14,400)
46/2016	PCVC	To fund an advocacy service for victims of crime with mental health needs, to be provided by Advocacy Centre North (£35,000).
47/2016	PCVC	To fund advocacy service for victims of hate crime to be delivered by a partnership comprising of Gay Advice Darlington and Durham (GADD), Show Racism the Red Card and Darlington Association on Disability (DAD) (£45,000).

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Upcoming key decisions

- Final victims commissioning decisions for 2017-18 (January 2017)
- Level of 2017-18 Policing Precept (Early February 2017)
- Policing budget 2017-18 (March 2017)