



Reference No: 68 - 2014

# THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

## DECISION RECORD FORM

**REQUEST:**

For PCC Approval

**Title:**

Sign off and Approval for Police Innovation Fund Bids for 2015-16

## Executive Summary:

The Minister for Policing, Criminal Justice and Victims wrote to all PCCs on 6 October 2014 detailing the timetable for the 2015/16 Police Innovation Fund and invite nominees for the Police Innovation fund event held on 6 November 2014. The Commissioner had representation at the briefing where the detailed arrangements for the 2015/16 bidding round set out. Bidding for the Police Innovation Fund 2015/16 formally opened on 3 November 2014 and will close on 2 January 2015. As with the previous bidding round any bid requires formal sign off by the Commissioner.

This Decision Record once signed will comply with these requirements in full.

Bids will only be considered by the Home Office where they are supported by the PCC and signed off by the PCC's CFO. The PCC is therefore asked to support making the following 5 bids to the Innovation Fund for 2015-16, where Cleveland will be the Lead Organisation:

1. Data Quality Solution - Bid for £165k, PCC to contribute further £165k

This proposal would see Cleveland Police working with the private sector organisation, Experian, to introduce a number of solutions to improve the quality of the data held within police systems. These solutions will not only assist in the cleansing and amalgamation of duplicate records but also assist in creation of the Golden Nominal & Golden Location Data set.

2. Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) - Bid for £211k, PCC to contribute further £211k  
Cleveland Police and their partners are looking to develop a multi-agency safeguarding hub (MASH) to help improve information sharing and working for the protection of children.

Findings from recent serious cases reviews identified that statutory agencies, who have a duty under the Children Act 2004 to safeguard children, needed to improve the way in which they worked together, through enhanced information sharing, joint risk assessments and decision making to improve the lives of children.

3. Command and Control Collaboration - Bid £815k, PCC to contribute further £815k

This proposal is to allow police resources to work across the three geographic areas of Cleveland, Durham and North Yorkshire, therefore creating borderless policing. In order to facilitate this, the three forces have looked at a proposal to implement a, three force wide, Command and Control system.

4. Community Safety Hub - Bid for £5,000k, PCC to contribute further £15,742k

The key objectives are:

- Develop a single Data Centre facility for both North Yorkshire and Cleveland police
- Migrate respective ICT services into the single facility
- Improve network and data centre resilience through shared use of the overall ICT estate
- Facilitate cross border deployment of resources and accessing of data from respective systems
- Reduce costs associated with ICT data centre and network delivery through use of shared assets and facilities.

5. Cyber Crime Investigation Provision - Bid for £120k, PCC to contribute further £130k

This bid will enable simple open source investigative work to be carried out on a workstation that will have the ability to access both a separate cyber-crime network and the force network

In addition to the 5 bids where Cleveland will take the lead the PCC is also asked to approve his support for a further bid:

6. Minerva Multi Force Collaboration - Bid for £300k with PCC's to collectively provide £200k This is on behalf of 20 'Niche' Force with the aim to deliver

The provision of a single Digital Case File (DCF) solution for Niche forces.

The creation of a blueprint to deliver interoperability and data-sharing between all Minerva member forces and the associated roadmap required to achieve the vision; including the option of extending the scope of this work further in the future to include Athena and other key forces. Additional Common Design process mapping to include Missing Persons, Stop & Search and Property Management.

The total bid is for £300k with £200k to be collectively contributed via the 20 PCC's signed up to the bid - Cleveland contribution therefore assumed to be £10k.

**Decision:**

The PCC is asked to support the 5 Cleveland led bids for funding from the Police Innovation Fund for 2015-16 for a total of £6,311k recognising that if all bids are successful that the PCC will contribute £17,063k towards these projects to ensure that they are locally owned and fully funded. In addition the PCC is asked to support the National Bid for which the PCC may have to contribute £10k.

**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)

To ensure that these projects are locally owned, and to improve the chances of receiving the funding, PCC's realistically need to contribute more than 40% of the overall cost of each project. If the PCC were to be successful with all of the bids that are being submitted then the PCC would need to contribute £17,063k towards these bids. I am content through my own reviews and through discussions with the Force that this level of contribution is affordable within the plans that the PCC has for 2015-16 and beyond and will not require either any additional borrowing or reductions in services elsewhere.

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

None arise

Equality and Diversity Implications

N/A

Human Rights Implications

N/A

Sustainability Implications

There are no on-going additional costs resulting from these projects however some may identify areas or services that might need development in the future.

Risk Management Implications

All grants that are awarded for 2015-16, and 2016/17 where the bids are for multiple years, will require expenditure to have been incurred in line with the project plans and will need to be delivered in line with how the money is awarded. The PCC could therefore be in a situation where delays mean that significant expenditure is not incurred in a timely manner and therefore the grant cannot be claimed which will increase the financial costs to the PCC.

Robust monitoring will be undertaken by the PCC's CFO on the financial progress of these projects to ensure that these risks are minimised, including liaison with the Home Office where necessary.

**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: 19/12/14**Police and Crime Commissioner:**

The above request HAS / ~~DOES NOT HAVE~~ my approval.

Signed: Date: 5/1/15

