



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

Request: For Police and Crime Commissioner Approval.

Title: Safer Streets 4 Middlesbrough – Hemlington and Pallister Park

Executive Summary:

Between March 2022 and May 2022, the Home Office opened applications to the Safer Streets 4 Fund. This fund aims to address the following issues: acquisitive crime, Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) and antisocial behaviour. Bidders had the option to choose one or more of the target issues for the bid to focus on. Middlesbrough chose to focus on antisocial behaviour in the Hemlington and Pallister Park areas, but it is expected there will be secondary benefits in reducing VAWG and acquisitive crimes as part of some of the measures implemented.

As part of the preparation for the bid, the Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland (OPCC) worked with local partners including: Middlesbrough Borough Council, Safer Communities, Cleveland Police and Thirteen Housing. Data was analysed across the target issues and feedback from local surveys was taken into consideration.

The OPCC submitted a bid to the fund in partnership with Middlesbrough Borough Council, Cleveland Police, Thirteen Housing and local charities. The bid was successful in receiving funding of £696,611 over 18 months, up to September 2023. The project will target specific parts of Hemlington and Pallister Park in Middlesbrough – areas selected due to the disproportionally high levels of antisocial behaviour incidents.

The key aims of the project are to reduce the number of antisocial behaviour incidents in the target areas; to improve residents perception of safety in the target areas and to evaluate interventions to improve the evidence base around 'what works' in tackling antisocial behaviour.

The main outputs of the Home Office funding are:

- Improvements to CCTV and Street lighting
- Environmental changes including: the removal of planters, cutting back of trees and shrubbery, new dual use bins, installation of barriers and kick rails.
- Closure of Cass House road underpass and providing alternative road crossing at this point.
- Blocking off alleyways beneath overhanging bedrooms.
- Staffing Project manager and community development worker
- Communications and promotional materials
- Target hardening packs for properties in the area and securing of void properties

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- Sporting provision and training courses for young people in the target area
- Set up of a professional witness service

Additionally, the following are provided through match funding:

- Staff time, including locality manager
- · Conversion of offices in Hemlington to be used as a multi-agency hub
- Additional CCTV and security around the Viewley shopping centre
- Upgrade to existing CCTV
- Resurfacing of the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
- Youth outreach services funded through the PCC.

Breakdown of the funding through the Safer Streets 4 bid is as follows:

Item	Amount	
Middlesbrough Borough Council	£453,953	
Thirteen Housing Group	£38,500	
Cleveland Fire Brigade	£19,158	
Fire Support Network	£15,000	
Safer Communities	£65,000	
Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for Cleveland	£75,000	
Cleveland Police	£30,000	
Total	£696,611	

Decision: To approve the distribution of the Safer Streets 4 income (£696,611) to those parties listed, in line with the original bid application to the Home Office.

OPCC Lead Officer: Denise Holian							
Contractor Details (if applicable): As listed in funding breakdown							
Implications:							
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No					
Financial							
Legal							
Equality & Diversity							
Human Rights							
Sustainability							
Risk							
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Decision Required – Supporting Information

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC's Chief Finance Officer where the decision has financial implications)

(If yes please provide further details below)

The funding to finance this investment has been agreed with the Home Office, the matched funded elements from a PCC perspective are included within the 2022/23 budget and therefore there are no issues to raise in relation to the financing of this proposal.

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

No legal implications have been identified. Contractual arrangements will be managed via individual grant agreements.

Equality and Diversity Implications:

An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) has been completed, with actions to mitigate any impacts on individuals with protected characteristics.

Human Rights Implications:

No human rights issues have been identified.

Sustainability Implications:

No sustainability issues identified, there is a sustainability plan within the bid for future costs and maintenance.

Risk Management Implications:

There are no significant risks identified – a risk register will be maintained as part of the project.

OFFICER APPROVAL

Monitoring Officer:

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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.

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Police and Crime Commissioner:

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The above request HAS my approval.

Signed Date 13/10/2022

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