



### Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland

**Annual Report** 

2022-2023



### **Chief Executive Foreword and Thank You**

Thank you for taking the time to read our Annual Report for 2022-23.

This has been one of our busiest years to date, with the OPCC team working tirelessly to assist the Police and Crime Commissioner to deliver the commitments in his Police and Crime Plan.

This report can only provide a snapshot of the daily dedication the team has demonstrated in seeking the best deal for Cleveland over the last financial year. I'm incredibly proud of them.

We know it's impossible to tackle some of the areas most challenging problems on our own. We work closely with a range of partner organisations who share our vision to see a safer Cleveland for all.

This is where Cleveland's small geographical area works to our advantage, by allowing us to effectively work together and pool our resources in the name of achieving shared goals.

I want to extend thanks to all of our partners, who offer both support and welcomed scrutiny to our plans and projects. I'm grateful for your continued commitment to collaboration and co-design.

Thank you again for taking the time to read a summary of our achievements, I hope you enjoy reading.

Lisa Oldroyd Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer We have dozens of partnership, multi-agency and collaboration arrangements with organisations, including:





































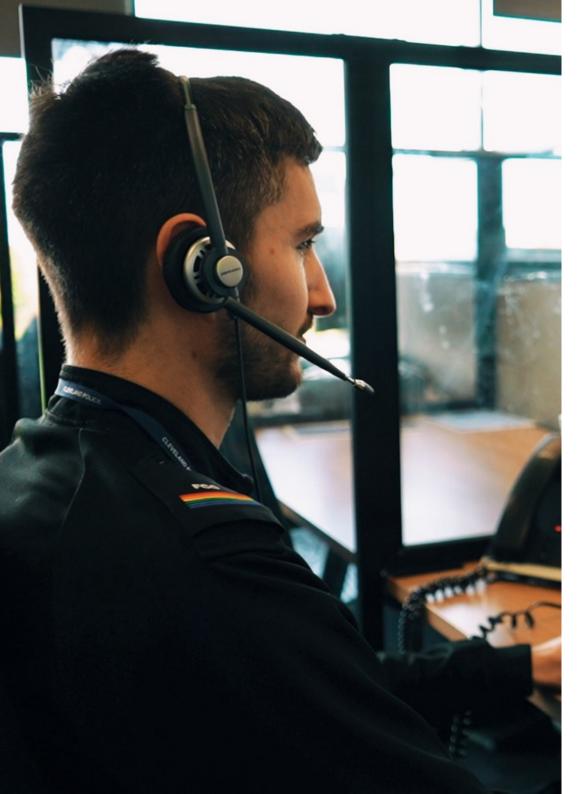












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### **Police and Crime Commissioner Introduction**

I am delighted to present to you my Annual Report for the year 2022-23, highlighting the significant progress made in achieving the objectives outlined in my Police and Crime Plan. It has been a busy and eventful year, driven by a commitment to innovation and change in addressing the long-standing challenges faced by our communities.

One of the key milestones of this year was the successful launch and implementation of COPA, Cleveland's, and the UK's, first policing app.

This initiative was a direct response to the concerns I heard from residents regarding limited ways to share community information and intelligence with the police. Additionally, our dedicated call-handlers in the Cleveland Police Control Room were faced with an increasing demand, often unrelated to policing matters.

Since its launch, COPA has been downloaded by thousands of individuals, with hundreds of residents sharing information and accessing support from other services through the app which then diverts unnecessary calls away from the control room. This has been an exciting project to develop and I can't wait to see it go from strength to strength.

In 2021, one of my key election pledges was to secure funding for a violence reduction unit in Cleveland and this pledge formed a key part of my Police and Crime Plan. I was enormously pleased therefore that last year we secured £3.5 million in funding over the next three years for CURV (Cleveland Unit for the Reduction of Violence).

This dedicated team will collaborate with our partners to develop a comprehensive strategy aimed at reducing violent crime across Cleveland through effective interventions and prevention measures. Our focus is on exploring new approaches that will bring about lasting change and prevent vulnerable children from becoming involved in violent offences.

On another positive note, since the appointment of Chief Constable Mark Webster, there has been a noticeable improvement in the performance of Cleveland Police.

This was acknowledged in the most recent report published by HMICFRS in March 2023, which highlighted the accelerated pace of change under Mark's leadership. More recently, internal staff surveys show an improving trend in moral and confidence in the forces new leadership structure.

In conclusion, I am immensely proud of the progress made in the past year and the dedication demonstrated by all those involved and I am grateful to the dedicated staff within my office, the hard-working individuals of Cleveland Police, and all our partners for their unwavering support in bringing my Plan to fruition.

Together, we have embraced innovation, tackled pressing issues, and laid the foundation for a safer and more prosperous Cleveland. I look forward to the continued collaboration and collective efforts as we strive to achieve even greater success in the years to come.

Steve Turner
Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland

### **Notable Achievements**



#### Delivered more police on our streets

As a result of exceeding national recruitment targets, Cleveland Police recruited 267 addition officers by March 2023 creating a total 1,493 police officers to protect and serve the communities.



#### Launch of Cleveland's first policing app COPA

After just six months, Cleveland's first policing app has been downloaded by more than 4,500 people on their smartphones. Intelligence received via the app is helping to map crime, target hotspots and catch criminals who are blighting our communities.



### HMICFRS recognise significant improvements by Cleveland Police

Since the last inspection in 2019, the Force's independent grading by HMICFRS has significantly improved with the pace of positive change commended.



### Increased funding to combat violence against women and girls (VAWG)

During the last 12 months, more than £1.12m has been invested into services to support victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence.



### Funding secured for Cleveland's violence reduction partnership CURV

During its first year the partnership has reached more than 30,000 people across Cleveland via the delivery of a widerange range of community-based educational, prevention and diversionary interventions.



### Massive increases in the use of technology to fight crime

Over the past year, the figure for drone deployments has risen by more than 40%. The number of trained drone pilots in Cleveland Police has also increased by more than 44%.









### Bringing offenders to justice

My pledge: Increasing opportunities for offenders to be held accountable for their behaviour with a focus on preventing re-offending.



#### **Getting tough on offenders**

For me, there is no question that Cleveland Police's more proatice approach to policing has led to positive results in bringing offenders to justice.

The force's arrest rate has soared to **the second highest per 1,000 population** in the country in 2022-23.





#### Removing the reasons to offend

#### Clean Slate

I'm passionate about giving people who have previously offended the opportunity to move forward in their lives and become valuable member of society.

I invested in employment support programme Clean Slate Solutions - who have **helped 14 former offenders into long-term**, **paid employment**.

Only one of the 44 participants in its initial six month period to January 2023 went on to re-offend.



### Re-offending rates plummet under diversionary programmes

#### Divert

Divert aims to divert first time and low-level adult offenders away from the criminal justice system by supporting them to address the issues, which led to their offending. This year **the programme worked with 267 participants.** 

It was highly commended at the Ruth Cranfield Awards alongside Restorative Cleveland and Youth Triage. The awards recognise projects committed to reducing re-offending.



Less than 1 in 20 of Divert participants re-offend after completing their programme. That compares to a national re-offending rate of 1 in 3.

#### **Youth Triage**

I'm pleased to continue my investment in Youth Offending Service's Triage project to divert young offenders away from crime and the criminal justice system.

This year, Cleveland's three youth justice services worked with 518 under-18s as part of the Youth Triage programme.

Re-offending rates for young people who have been through Youth Triage, are less than half the Cleveland juvenile re-offending rate of 40.5%.

- New strategy for women in the criminal justice system.
- New strategy for Domestic Abuse Perpetrators.
- Support the introduction of Teesside Intensive Supervision Court.

### Getting tough on drugs and gangs

My pledge: Introducing a holistic approach to drugs and gangs including prevention, early intervention and targeted intervention.

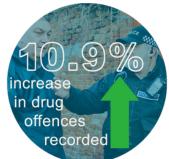


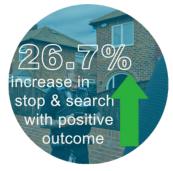
#### More proactive policing on drugs

I'm pleased to report that successful, proactive policing is helping officers to uncover more drug-related offences and find more illicit items through stop and search powers.

It sends a clear message that **police officers will stop**, **challenge and search where necessary**.









#### Success for targeted drugs project

Project ADDER is a Home Office-funded scheme to reduce the harm illicit drugs cause communities. Running in Middlesbrough since 2021, the project co-ordinates law enforcement activity and enhances diversionary programmes.

Since July 2021, Project ADDER has resulted in:









#### New ways of working to combat drug harm

Former drug dealer Ashley from Stockton kicked a 10-year habit, thanks to a drugs project my office funded.

I gave the Moses Project a grant towards its 'Fresh Start' initiative aimed at tackling substance misuse among men in Stockton.

Over 20 people have benefited from the scheme, with 75% reporting no re-offending since taking part.





#### PCC leads on new Combatting Drugs Partnership

I chair and lead Cleveland Combatting Drugs Partnership, which was formed in autumn 2022, to bring agencies together tackle the impact of drugs on our communities.

The partnership aims to support enforcement action on illegal drugs, disrupt supply and promote improved recovery.

- PCC to directly invest in Project ADDER from April 2023.
- Launch of new drug-driving scheme to reduce harm and educate.
- Delivery of the Combating Drugs Partnership Strategy for Cleveland.

### Tackling antisocial behaviour head-on

My pledge: Taking a strong stance on antisocial behaviour through partnership working and youth engagement.



#### Reduction in antisocial behaviour levels









#### **Delivering Safer Streets**

Following a successful bid, my office secured £696,611 of Home Office funding in the fourth round of the Safer Streets Fund.

Working with a wide range of partners, we have led on an 18-month programme to reduce antisocial behaviour in the **Hemlington** and **Pallister Park** areas of Middlesbrough.

The scheme marked a 71% reduction in antisocial behaviour year on year between September 2022 and January 2023.



Hemlington and Pallister Park £696,611

7 access

closures

71% reduction in antisocial behaviour 8



#### Major investment in youth and sports projects

An important way to tackle antisocial behaviour is to present alternative and positive activities for young people to be involved in.

I'm proud to commission a range of services that are making a real difference to young people in Cleveland - including through one of my passions: sport!



#### **Targeted Youth Outreach**

Four local organisations work with young people in ASB hotspots across Cleveland to divert them from crime. They've worked with **8,952** young people in the last year.



Working across the Hartlepool area, this club organised a free tournament for children in each of the town's 13 wards. They also organised a summer club for under 10s, 12s and 14s.



#### <u>Premier League Kicks - MFC Foundation</u>

Kicks is a project designed by the Premier League to offer free football sessions in local communities. Grangetown lad Travis is now a coach for the scheme after almost getting kicked off! He said: "I just saw this big opportunity, took it with both arms."

- Introduce an appeals process for ASB Case Reviews
- Host a Cleveland-wide Summit on ASB
- Develop and deliver a Cleveland-wide ASB Action Plan
- Deliver Government-funded pilot to target ASB hotspots and immediate justice for offenders
- Use intelligence from COPA to clamp down on the use of anti-social bikes<sub>3</sub>

### Effective policing and criminal justice system

My pledge: Collaborate with and hold to account Cleveland Police and wider criminal justice agencies to increase public confidence.



#### Improved HMICFRS grading for Cleveland Police

In February 2023, <u>a report by His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabularies, Fire and Rescue (HMICFRS)</u> recorded marked improvements in the service delivered by Cleveland Police.

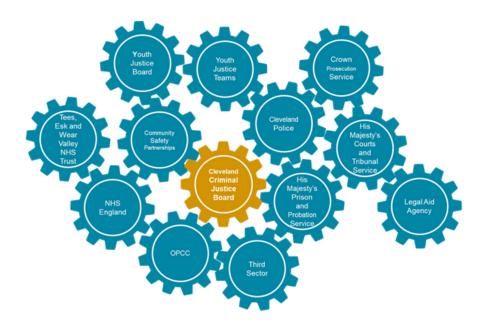
Inspectors found that **four of the six causes for concern identified in 2019 had been addressed**, with improvements made across all areas.



#### **Cleveland Criminal Justice Board established**

The Cleveland Criminal Justice Board met for the first time in 2022-23.

Chaired by myself, the board **brings together agencies from across the criminal justice system to make improvements** to the efficiency and effectiveness of the system as a whole.





#### Continuation of award-winning custody service





Last year Appropriate Adults volunteered more than 2,600 hours. They can be called out 24/7, 365 days per year, including Christmas, Easter and other holidays.

#### Looking ahead

- Ensure all victim statements are used in court, where the victim supports it.
- Ensure remote evidence options are available for victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence.
- Monitor and seek to improve criminal justice performance.

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### Prevent, reduce and tackle serious violence

My pledge: Development of a Cleveland-wide serious violence strategy in collaboration with Cleveland Police and Community Safety Partnership.



#### Cleveland's first Violence Reduction Unit established

After a long campaign by my office, I was over the moon when **Cleveland was finally awarded £3.5m to set up its first violence reduction unit.** 

CURV - or Cleveland Unit for the Reduction of Violence - was established in summer 2022 and started with the recruitment of a strong team to lead this work.

I was delighted to appoint John Holden MBE to lead on developing a strategy to turn the tide on Cleveland's rising levels of violence.



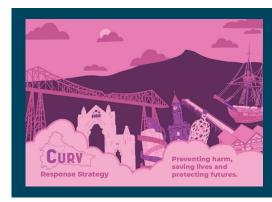
- Reduce hospital admissions for knife related injuries
- Reduce police recorded knife crime
- Reduction in non-domestic homicide



#### Violence reduction strategy developed

CURV commissioned a thorough research project to analyse violent crime in Cleveland over the last five years.

This information resulted in the **CURV Response Strategy**, which sets out how the team will deliver on their objectives.





#### Over £600k invested in anti-violence projects







In its first year CURV invested £628,475.32 in 24 programmes to tackle violence and serious crime. More than 25,000 people were directly reached by this investment – of whom 90% were under 25.



#### **Billingham Boxing Club**

With high-quality facilities in a town-centre location, Billingham Boxing Club offer an amazing opportunity for young people to learn a new skill.

In 2022-23, they gave 87 young people free training at their venue, building their confidence in the process.

- Help to create safer public spaces
- Introduce "navigators" to work with victims and perpetrators in custody and A&E settings
- Work with partners to develop and expand existing projects, which are shown to work

### More police on our streets

My pledge: Investing in frontline community response.



#### Highest police officer numbers in a decade

I'm really pleased that as of March 2023, Cleveland had **the highest number of police officers since 2014** - a brilliant achievement.

Cleveland Police **exceeded the Government's recruitment target** of 239 additional police officers, reaching over 260 by the end of the financial year.

Recruitment is a continuing priority for the force over the coming 12 months - and the good news is that we've secured an additional Government investment for even more officers in the next year.

#### **Cleveland Police: Officer numbers**









#### Chief Constable's organisation remodel underway

I have backed Chief Constable Mark Webster's plans to **introduce a new policing model from spring 2023.** 

The new structure is based on a **proactive policing approach**, in which officers and PCSOs will get to know the key characters, locations and vehicles in their area.

Their knowledge helps to identify patterns and hotspots, which means they can use problem-solving to prevent escalation.



#### Seeking the right funding for Cleveland

As the demand facing Cleveland Police has evolved, I have continued to push for the appropriate funding settlements to help the force move forward.

I have been vocal at a local, regional and national level about how Cleveland Police can accelerate their pace of change and better meet the needs of communities with the right funding settlement.

- Increase the number of special constables in Cleveland Police. Expand the number of entry routes into a policing career.
- Monitor and scrutinise the impact of increased officer numbers.

### Tackling violence against women and girls

My pledge: Working in partnership with local services to ensure women feel safe and supported in our area.



#### Specialist help for victims of domestic abuse

Funding for seven specialist Independent Domestic Violence Advocates (IDVAs) has enabled professionals to get help to victims, who may otherwise not have sought out support.

Specialist IDVAs include those working with child victims of parental domestic abuse, a male victims' advocate and those based in hospital settings.

#### Case study: A new life after 27 years...

Support from a hospital-based IDVA helped to end 27 years of physical, financial and emotional abuse for a 70-year-old Cleveland woman.

Working with a GP link worker, ongoing support was put in place so the woman could live safely at home, take control of her own life and build a network of friends away from the control of her husband.



#### Making our streets safer

In my last Annual Report, I announced that we had been successful in securing an investment from the third round of the Government's Safer Streets Fund.

The focus of the project was to make **Central Middlesbrough safer for women and girls.** 

Led by my office and Middlesbrough Council, other partners included Teesside University, local sexual violence charity Arch, domestic abuse charity My Sister's Place, Crimestoppers and Stronger Communities.



Central and Newport £381,771



#### Enhanced abuse awareness for minority communities

Following research into the **needs of Cleveland's ethnically diverse communities,** we launched the Bridging the Gap Fund in partnership with Catalyst Stockton.

This research found that most people from minority communities prefer to engage with existing domestic abuse services, but didn't know enough about them.

As a result, seven established **community groups shared £30,000 to support domestic abuse awareness projects run 'by and for' minority communities.** 



#### Looking ahead

- Improve understanding of the impact of stalking on victims.
- Support opportunities to increase the safety of people using public spaces in the evening.
- Develop a Cleveland-wide needs assessment for VAWG.

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### **Building confidence in our communities**

My pledge: Ensuring a high quality service is delivered by Cleveland Police, building pride and support for police across our local area.



#### Resolution Team handle all public complaints

Establishing an **enhanced police complaints model** in Cleveland was one of the very first decisions I made as PCC and resulted in the formation of an independent Resolution Team to initially handle all police complaints.

The team - who work within my office - is now **one of the quickest in the country to make first contact with people** dissatisfied with the police service they've received.









#### £187,500 invested in local community groups

This year, my office awarded local community groups grants from the Police Property Act Fund and Community Safety Fund totalling more than £187,500.

Below are some of the brilliant projects who benefited from the funding:





#### **Youth Advisory Group formed**





#### Local public confidence in policing on the rise

'Putting the pride back into Cleveland Police' has been a key objective since I was elected. However, it has been a challenging time nationally for public confidence in policing.

That's why I'm really encouraged by the latest findings of the Crime Survey of England and Wales, which **found increasing levels of satisfaction with Cleveland Police.** 



- Resolution Team to secure Customer Service Excellence Accreditation.
- Work with local voluntary development agencies to increase capacity within the sector.

### Effective quality support for victims and witnesses

My pledge: Ensuring high quality support is available to victims and witnesses of crime and antisocial behaviour through commissioning specialist support services.



#### Remodelled and enhanced victim referral service

Delivered by Safer Communities, Victim Care and Advice Service (VCAS) was re-commissioned for a further four years as Cleveland's victim referral service.

Following assessment of the needs of victims in Cleveland, the service has been remodelled to reach more victims in need of support.



Over the last 12 months:









#### The right support for sexual violence survivors

It's important that victims of sexual violence get the right support for them, when they need it.

Our Cleveland-wide Independent Sexual Violence Advisor service is delivered by Arch Teesside.



As of March 2023, these dedicated ISVAs were supporting **1679 victims** of sexual violence on their journey through the criminal justice system - **a 20%** increase in their workload on last year.



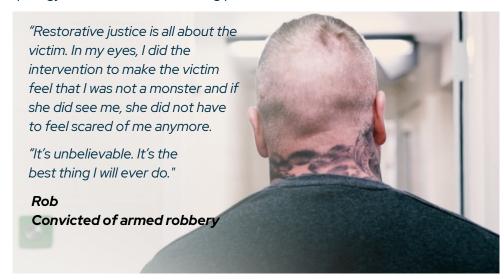
#### 100% satisfaction for restorative interventions

Restorative Cleveland is our commissioned service for restorative justice and is delivered by our partners at Safer Communities.

In the last financial year, Restorative Cleveland delivered 112 restorative justice interventions with a 100% satisfaction rating.



Interventions included everything from the offender writing a letter of apology to their victim to making practical amends for the harm caused.



- Increase police referrals to victim support services.
- Re-establish a victims' and witnesses' partnership group.
- Increase victim-led referrals to Restorative Cleveland service.

### Use of technology to combat crime

My pledge: To maximise the use of technology, creating opportunities for efficiencies and additional support for the workforce.



#### Cleveland's first crime and safety app launched

In September 2022, I was incredibly proud to launch the first crime and community safety app of its kind in the country - Cleveland Online Policing App - or 'COPA'.

The app allows the public to ask questions about policing, crime and community safety and share concerns about nuisance behaviour.

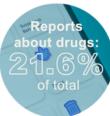
COPA also allows the public to give feedback on their experience with Cleveland Police and access links to useful websites.













COPA has been used by Cleveland Police to help map and locate a number of off-road bikes and quad bikes. There have also been arrests made from intelligence submitted on the app.

I met with Sgt Chris Turner, who has built a database of bike images from images captured on CCTV or via public submission.



#### Drone deployments increase by 40%

I'm a massive advocate for the use of drones in supporting frontline officers and staff to apprehend offenders and locate missing people.

It's great to see how much the force have increased their use of drones and infrastructure around them.



Drone deployments increased by 40.1%

Trained drone pilots increased by 44.4%

- Further develop the use of drones by Cleveland Police.
- Build on the use of DNA tagging spray across the force.
- Work with neighbouring OPCCs to develop Virtual Reality Training around domestic abuse.

### My national and regional roles



As the PCC, I hold a number of roles on national and regional bodies and partnerships.

This is to make sure the voice of the people of Cleveland – is heard.

It is also means that I can share best practice and tap into expertise from a wide range of partners across the country.

#### **National Roles**

- The Association of Police and Crime Commissioners' (APCC) Joint Lead for Serious Violence
- APCC Joint Lead for Local Policing
- Board member for the Police Digital Service
- Chair of the Violence Reduction Unit's Sport, Youth and Serious Violence Prevention Board
- Member of the Police Digital Contact Board

#### **Regional and Local Roles**

- Chair of Cleveland Local Criminal Justice Board (LCJB)
- Chair of the Governance Board for Cleveland's Violence Reduction Partnership CURV
- Chair of the Cleveland Combatting Drugs Partnership
- Member of Middlesbrough and Hartlepool Development Corporation Boards

### **Holding Cleveland Police to account**

During 2022-23, the Police and Crime Commissioner has continued to hold Cleveland Police to account for the service they provide to people who live, work and visit the Cleveland area.

The PCC has a detailed scrutiny programme, in which key topics of interest are put to senior leaders within the force and assurances sought on the level of service provided:



#### **Assured**



#### Partially assured



#### Not assured

#### **April**

### Force Control Room Performance, staffing and recruitment.

#### <u>May</u>

#### Off-road motor bikes and vehicle crime How the police are tackling the nuisance of

off-road motor vehicles.

#### **June**

# Enabling Services How to attract people to a career in policing and police vetting.

#### June

## Enabling Services IT services, use of police drones and Best Evidence Suites.

#### <u>July</u>

# Services How to attract people to a career in policing, police vetting and IT services.

**Update on Enabling** 

#### <u>July</u>

# Drugs and Gangs Impact of drug enforcement team and resources to tackle demand.

#### <u>October</u>

#### **Enabling Services**

How to attract people to a career in policing and police vetting.

#### **October**

#### **Retail Crime**

Trends, cost of living crisis, petrol station crime, town centre crime and partnership working.

#### **September**

#### **Rural Crime**

Ability to tackle rural crime, rural crime survey and action plan.

#### September

### Update on Enabling Services

IT services, use of police drones and Best Evidence Suites.

#### <u>September</u>

#### Update on Enabling Services

How to attract people to a career in policing and police vetting.

#### <u>August</u>

#### **Serious Violence**

Knife crime, proactive engagement and hot spot policing.

#### **November**

#### Violence Against Women and Girls -Domestic Abuse

Trends, understanding the rise and victim satisfaction.

#### **December**

#### Violence Against Women and Girls

Delivery against the national performance measures and women's safety.

#### <u>January</u>

### Effective Policing and Criminal Justice

Preparedness for the Out of Court Disposal National Strategy, standards in case files, positive outcomes for neighbourhood crime.

#### <u>February</u>

#### Ongoing Force Performance Analysis

How will the force's new delivery model drive performance.

#### March

#### Police Perpetrated Domestic Abuse

Resources, outcomes, communication strategies.

#### March

#### Enabling Services – Vetting

Current position, check on recommendations from the HMRCFRS report.

### Strategic Policing Requirement

The Strategic Policing Requirement (SPR) sets out those threats which, in the Home Secretary's view, are the biggest threat to public safety and must be given due regard when I issue or varying my Police and Crime Plan. It supports myself as well as the Chief Constable to plan, prepare and respond to these threats by clearly linking the local response to the national, highlighting the capabilities and partnerships that policing needs to ensure it can fulfil its national responsibilities.

A revised version of the SPR was published in February 2023 which provided strengthened detail around the action required from policing at the local and regional level to the critical national threats. The 2023 SPR sets out seven identified national threats. These are as follows: **Serious and Organised**Crime (SOC); **Terrorism**; **Cyber**; **Child Sexual Abuse**; **Public Disorder and**Civil Emergencies. These remain from the 2015 version with the addition in 2023 of Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG), reflecting the threat it presents to public safety and confidence.

Given this annual report is for the year April 2022 to March 2023, it will not respond in detail to the revised SPR due to the timing of its publication. However, as Police and Crime Commissioner, I have given due regard to the six threat areas identified in the previous SPR in my Police and Crime Plan and in my role holding my Chief Constable to account. VAWG, while not previously contained in the SPR, nonetheless is a key and pressing issue on which I update in this report and be prioritised in future iterations.



The Strategic Policing Requirement

February 2023









### **Community Engagement and Communications**

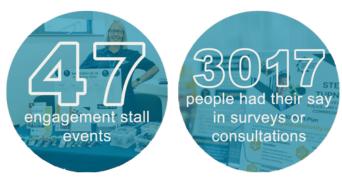


#### Community Engagement

The PCC is elected to be the voice of the public in policing, by listening to their concerns and ensuring they are considered ahead of decisions or policy development.

The OPCC supports the PCC to do this through a range of activities, including:

- Weekly stalls in local supermarkets
- Monthly PCC surgeries
- Regular consultation or survey exercises



#### **Communications**

To inform the public about the impact of the work of the PCC and his office, we use a range of communications tools to reach as many people as possible.

#### This includes:

- Press releases issued to journalists
- A monthly PCC newsletter and podcast
- Regular posts on the OPCC's social media pages
- · Direct engagement with our stakeholders

press releases or statements issued to local, regional and national journalists







# Coffee with the Commissioner The PCC launched his new podcast earlier this year. In every episode, Steve invites a guest involved in crime, justice or community support for an in-depth conversation over a coffee.

### **WATCH: Our work changes lives**

Four films that show some of the case studies and projects that I have funded in the last year to reduce reoffending, support victims, tackle antisocial behaviour and create a safer Cleveland.

#### **Hartlepool Huskies**

Sport can play a key role at a strategic level to combat antisocial behaviour. It not only improves health and wellbeing, but can give a sense of purpose and teamwork through which personal and social development in young people can be positively affected.



This is a fantastic example of how sport is being used to tackle antisocial behaviour in their pop-up sessions in Hartlepool! I joined in on one of their session last year to see it in action.

#### **MFC Kicks**

From a disruptive teen at MFC Premier League Kicks to the Foundations apprentice with the hopes of having a full-time career as a football coach.

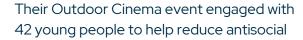
Travis put his head down and worked hard to get where he is now for something he is passionate about.



This scheme, backed by myself, uses the power of football to engage with young people from hard-to-reach areas across Cleveland while encouraging them to make the right choices in their community.

#### **Corner House Youth Project**

Corner House Youth Project were successful in securing an investment from our autumn fund in 2022 entitled Bright Sparks.





behaviour in central Stockton. Any young person who arrived without provisions to keep warm, were provided with a blanket or a hot water bottle.

It was a fantastic event supported by Sprouts Community Food Charity, Cultivate Tees Valley, Amal Project Teesside & Stage Door Events to provide freshly cooked pizzas, hot chocolate and lots of other amazing snacks!

#### The Moses Project

Ashley was involved in crime and drug dealing to fund his growing crack and cocaine habit which sent him to some of the UK's toughest prisons and put him into some dangerous situations.

The Moses Project sent Ashley to rehab and supported him afterwards and continues to do so. He had a life-changing fresh start through The Moses Project.

I have helped support the The Moses Project's Fresh Start Initiative with funding worth £5000.



### **Budget and Finance**

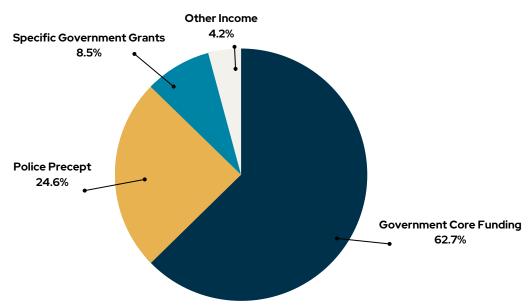
#### **Budgets and Spending 2022-23**

The Police and Crime Commissioner has responsibility for Cleveland Police's budget.

In 2022-23, just 1% of the overall policing budget was spent on running the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC).

Any underspend from the 2022-23 budget has been used to strengthen reserves to help offset current cost of living pressures including higher levels of inflation and pay awards, which may be higher than budget.

#### Where does the PCC receive his budget from?

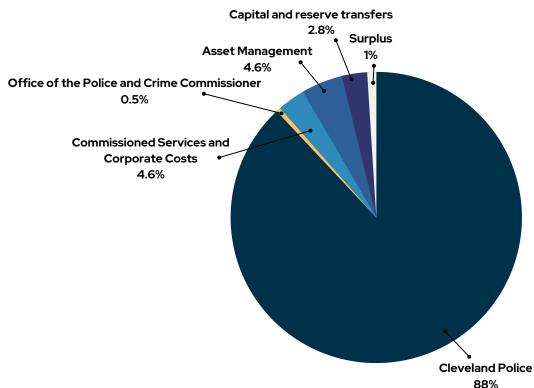


#### **Total Funding 2022-23**

Funding for the Cleveland's policing budget is made up from Government grants and money raised via the local police precept.

The police precept is the amount of money added to household and business Council Tax bills across Cleveland to help pay for policing. In 2022–23, Government grants made up the biggest slice of funding for Cleveland Police via the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC)

#### How does the PCC invest his budget?



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