



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For Police and Crime Commissioner approval.

Title: CURV - Serious Violence Duty Funding – Night-Time Economy

Executive Summary:

In April 2022, Cleveland's OPCC was notified of its successful application for Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) Funding from the Home Office over 3 years. This resulted in the establishment of the 'Cleveland Unit for the Reduction of Violence' (CURV), which was tasked with the role of bringing together all partners and stakeholders to develop and deliver an intelligence led strategy aimed at reducing serious violence throughout Cleveland through a Public Health agenda.

In 2022, the Serious Violence Duty was introduced through the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act; this requires specified authorities to work together to plan to prevent and reduce serious violence within the local government area.

As part of this work, CURV commissioned Crest Advisory to undertake a [Strategic Needs Assessment](#) outlining the scale, nature, and drivers of serious violence in Cleveland. The rates of serious violence offending are highest on the weekend, particularly in the evening and early morning, potentially aligning with peaks in the night-time economy and geographical zones. In response, the Cleveland strategy is focused on reducing incidents of serious violence within and around those night-time economy zones. The interventions funded through the Serious Violence Duty are based on thorough consultation with key NTE stakeholders, who have attended a series of workshops and forums facilitated and delivered by CURV during late 2023. The below interventions have all been agreed with key partners.

Middlesbrough Borough Council are to be awarded £11,780.00 to support the reduction of serious violence in the defined NTE area. This includes:

- **Bleed Cabinets** – to be installed within the NTE boundaries, providing public access to medical supplies to control bleeding in an emergency situation.
- **APEX Radios** - to support communication between licensed premises during NTE times.

Stockton Borough Council are to be awarded £17,129.00 to support the reduction of serious violence in the defined NTE area. This includes:

- **Scannet** - access control machines to be installed in licensed premises to prevent entry to underage clients, clients with fake ID's and those known for creating issues inside licensed venues. The machines are linked with Pubwatch to ensure effective information sharing and barring of problematic individuals throughout the Night-Time Economy Zone.
- **Bleed Cabinets** - to be installed within the NTE boundaries, providing public access to medical supplies to control bleeding in an emergency situation.
- **APEX Radios** -to support communication between licensed premises during NTE times.

Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council are to be awarded £14,899.00 to support the reduction of serious violence in the defined NTE area. This includes:

- **APEX Radios** -to support communication between licensed premises during NTE times.
- **Scannet** - access control machines to be installed in licensed premises to prevent entry to underage clients, clients with fake ID's and those known for creating issues inside licensed venues. The machines are linked with Pubwatch to ensure effective information sharing and barring of problematic individuals throughout the Night-Time Economy Zone.

Hartlepool Borough Council are to be awarded £12,580.00 to support the reduction of serious violence in the defined NTE area. This includes:

- **Bleed Cabinets and Installation** - to be installed within the NTE boundaries, providing public access to medical supplies to control bleeding in an emergency situation.
- **APEX Radios** -to support communication between licensed premises during NTE times.

Decision: To approve the allocation of £56,388.00 funding from the CURV SVD budget to :

Middlesbrough Borough Council, -£11,780.00
 Stockton Borough Council, -£17,129.00
 Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council-£14,899.00
 Hartlepool Borough Council- £12,580.00

OPCC Lead Officer: Anna Waddington, CURV Partnership and Delivery Officer

Contractor Details (if applicable):

As above

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 Chief Finance Officer where the decision has financial implications)

The funding to support this proposal is affordable from the funding provided to the PCC from the Serious Violence Duty and therefore affordable to the PCC.

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

There are no legal implications arising from this decision.

Equality and Diversity Implications:

The funding will support local authorities across Cleveland to reduce crime and improve safety for all citizens working in and enjoying the local NTE. Access to services delivered will be open to all.

Human Rights Implications:

None arising.

Sustainability Implications:

Successful projects will be monitored and reviewed by CURV to inform future commissioning/ grant funding opportunities.

Risk Management Implications:

Any risk minimised and mitigated by performance framework requirements in grant agreements.

OFFICER APPROVAL

Monitoring Officer:

Signed



Date 29.12.23

Police and Crime Commissioner:

Signed

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Date 02.01.2024

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