



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: For Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) approval

Title: Spring Activity Fund – January 2024

Executive Summary:

The PCC has funding available through the Police Property Act Fund to support charitable organisations in support of crime and community safety initiatives. Charities were invited to apply under the 'Spring Activities Fund' Campaign during late December 2023 / early January 2024.

The Spring Activities Fund invited charitable organisations to run projects or events during antisocial behaviour flashpoints this Spring (during the February half term and Easter school holiday periods). Organisations were able to apply for funding to cover activity in one or both of the specified school holiday periods. The one-off grant was required to support one of the below points:

- Reducing anti-social behaviour
- Diverting people away from anti-social behaviour
- Encouraging positive solutions that overcome the issues that communities face as a result of anti-social behaviour
- Building resilience in communities to respond to anti-social behaviour
- Support early intervention approaches to anti-social behaviour

Following an application review meeting on 15 January 2024 attended by the Police and Crime Commissioner, Temporary Head of Policy, Partnerships and Delivery and Policy, Partnerships and Delivery Officer, the Police and Crime Commissioner has agreed to support the below organisations.

Due to a declared conflict of interest for the Police and Crime Commissioner the funding decision for one of the applications listed below, Redcar Development Trust was made solely by the Temporary Head of Policy, Partnerships and Delivery and the Policy, Partnerships and Delivery Officer.

Please note a number of bids submitted to this funding opportunity have been requested to provide further information before a decision is made on their application, as a result a further decision record may follow.

Decision:

To approve funding from the Police Property Act Fund as set out below:

4th Hartlepool Boys Brigade Company - £555.58

Hartlepool Boys Brigade is a uniformed youth group offering varied activities such as crafts,

games, sports, drill, and camping. Funding will be used to expand the programme of activity to include musical sessions, thereby attracting a wider cohort of young people. Funding will cover the purchase of electrical keyboards and musical notebooks ensuring the sustainability of this expanded programme beyond the targeted school holiday periods.

Junction Foundation Targeted Youth Support - £4,000.00

The Junction is a Tees Valley based charity, supporting children and young people up to the age of 25 and families that face additional challenges. The Junction's aim is to empower children, young people and their families to embrace life with confidence, facing life's challenges in a positive way. The Targeted Youth Support (TYS) Team aims are to establish and build relationships in target areas and develop a trusted and consistent adult approach for young people in the target communities. Funding will be used to offer outward bound activities over the February half term and Easter school holiday periods to a targeted cohort of young people who the team have been working with through their outreach provision.

Kidz Konnekt - £4,000.00

Kidz Konnekt provide advice, assistance and activity programmes for young people aimed at advancing them in life by developing their skills, capabilities and capacities thereby advancing education and relieving unemployment. Funding will be used to deliver a week activity programme in February half term and a week activity programme in the Easter school holidays in the South Bank/Greater Eston area. Each programme will have capacity for 100 young people and will offer a range of activities including Football, Table Tennis, Pool, Air Hockey, Go-kart and scooter building workshops, Art and crafts, Archery, Music workshop, Hiking, Bush Craft, outdoor cooking, food preparation activity, rock climbing, bowling and other engaging trips out.

Hartlepool United Community Sports Foundation - £ 3,575.10

HUCSF offers a range of diverse activities that aim to provide the people of Hartlepool and the surrounding areas with opportunities to participate and enjoy themselves in a fun, friendly environment helping people with life skills, promoting self-esteem, confidence, and fair play. Funding will be used to deliver 5 days football activity during the February half term and 5 days football activity during the Easter school holidays. Sessions will be focused on 12–16-year-olds in the local area giving young people the opportunity to play, coach and even officiate in the sport of football, teaching them about rules, responsibilities and working as part of a team. These transferable skills will hopefully help them not only on the sports field but in general life. The courses will be designed to enhance the physical and mental well-being of participants providing a safe and positive environment, promoting and encouraging respect. The programme will work with local secondary schools to target students from deprived socio-economic backgrounds as well as those who have been identified as vulnerable and/or at risk of antisocial behaviour. Sessions will include player visits from Hartlepool United FC players who would raise aspirations and talk to participants about their careers and the skills they need to be successful.

ARC Stockton Arts Centre - £750.00

ARC is a charity that used art and cultural activity to support the local community. Funding will be used to work with a group of 15 young people from Primrose Hill Community Centre's youth club to creatively explore antisocial behaviour using drama, film and crafts. Participants will visit ARC for a full day during February half term by the end of which they will have participated in drama based exercises that practically explore antisocial behaviour, created a short film addressing antisocial behaviour and created posters that address antisocial behaviour by encouraging positive behaviour. The materials created through the project will be shared more widely to ensure they reach and influence the wider community not directly involved in the project.

Tees Valley Community Church (The Shack) - £500.00

The Shack, coordinated by Tees Valley Community Church, are a small team who live and

volunteer in Ragworth and Primrose Hill providing a range of opportunities for the community to gather, combat isolation, build relationships, address needs, gain new skills and raise aspirations. Funding will be used to support a Community Fun Day during the Easter holidays, enabling local people to participate in a social event that promotes community and provides a positive experience in and for the community. The event will include a range of entertainment such as facepainting, glitter tattoo, balloon modelling and a range of craft activities. Food will be provided, and by gathering and celebrating as a community and building positive experiences in the locality it is hoped to encourage young people and their families to care for their area if they love the community they live in.

TeesstrHive CIC - £3,994.40

TeesstrHive CIC's main aim is to support children, young people and families across Redcar and Cleveland by supporting their mental health, emotional wellbeing, self-esteem, confidence and developing their social skills. TeesstrHive provides children and young people with new opportunities aiming to instil positive aspirations for the future. Funding will be used to deliver the "Invo7ve" project, providing social groups that can be accessed during the February and Easter school holidays 2024. The project will be based out of Saltburn Community Centre and will include art projects, meditation and mindfulness/chill-out yoga, youth group together with external groups within the community such as #vagabonding (exploring nature, similar to forest school), Brazilian Ju Jitsu, diving, baking and more. The project aims to reduce anti-social behaviour by providing these exciting and new opportunities within the community that children and young people can attend. The groups will be open to ages 4-18

Teesside Vineyard Church - £2,860.00

Teesside Vineyard Church is based in Thornaby, which is ranked amongst the top 10% of most deprived areas within UK neighbourhoods. Although church based, their outreach work is community wide and accessible to all. Funding will be used to deliver 4 events during February half term incorporating a free youth social for 10 to 16 year olds involving food and bowling, a pizza night aimed at 10 to 16 year olds, a pizza party for primary school aged children and a breakfast and craft club, which would also run for 2 sessions in the Easter school holidays. Funding will also be used to hold a free 'Easter Egg-travangaza' party for 4-10 years incorporating a local dance company with dancing, singing, games, prizes, craft activities, food and Easter eggs.

Middlesbrough Football Club Foundation - £4,000.00

Middlesbrough FC Foundation is the independent charity of Middlesbrough FC. Their mission is to use the power of the football club to raise aspirations and increase life chances through four themes of education and employability, health and wellbeing, community cohesion and inclusion and sports participation. One of the projects delivered through MFC Foundation is the Premier League Kicks diversionary programme, aimed at 8 to 18 year olds to help reduce antisocial behaviour through sport and football. Funding will be used to expand the PL Kicks programme during the February half term and Easter school holiday periods, delivering three intra site football tournaments inviting young people from the wider range of weekly sessions to take part in competitive sport. Young people will be provided with a hot meal during the sessions which will also incorporate education highlighting the dangers of motorcross bikes which has been identified as a key concern by Cleveland Police.

Hartlepool Huskies - £3,810.00

Huskies Basketball is committed to providing a safe, inclusive environment where people of all ages and abilities can learn, develop and thrive. The ethos of the organisation is to offer pathways which, either for fun or competitively, allow for life-long engagement with sport, health and wellbeing throughout childhood, adolescence, and adulthood. Sessions are delivered across Hartlepool, Billingham and Stockton Town. Funding will be used to deliver six afternoon/evening basketball camps for both primary and secondary age groups on a Saturday or Sunday, in prominent, accessible locations in Hartlepool, Billingham and Stockton Town during February half term and the Easter school holiday period. Funding will also be used to

offer local schools a taster session which will allow direct engagement with young people to not only promote the camps generally but specifically encourage individuals that teaching staff feel may benefit from this antisocial behaviour initiative.

Liverton Parochial Church Council - £1,400.00

Liverton Parochial Church Council are the Church of England Parish that includes Liverton Mines where they run a Youth and Family Project. Funding will be used to purchase the equipment needed to host film and games nights during the two holiday periods covered by this funding and beyond. Engagement with young people in the area suggests that this will assist in attracting the 9 to 14 age range who are not currently widely engaged in the existing youth provision. Funding will also cover refreshments for film nights held during the February half term and Easter holiday periods.

Hartlepool PFC Trust - £1,790.00

The PFC Trust was set up with the mission of 'helping Hartlepool people' with a particular focus on how this can be achieved through movement and sport. Funding will be used to deliver a Play in the Park event at Seaton Park during the Easter holidays to engage with young people and their families through a variety of activities, challenges and games. The event will be an opportunity for local sports clubs to showcase their clubs and attract new members providing longer term diversion for local young people. Multi generational engagement will be encouraged by running a series of throw back games to encourage family participation.

Hartlepool Ambulance Charity - £2,000.00

Hartlepool Ambulance Charity was set up to provide Education Facilities in First Aid and other medical practices, in some instances to those that would not normally be able to access these through other means. Funding will be used to deliver "First Aid Friends" courses during the Easter holiday period to young people, with a particular focus on those at risk of becoming involved in antisocial behaviour and those from disadvantaged backgrounds who would not normally be able to access such courses. The courses will teaching young people how to perform CPR and use of the defibs, as well as demonstrating any other first aid requirements that the learners may have. This will also improve social skills, educational knowledge and understanding of the consequences of choices they may make in their lifetime.

Redcar Development Trust - £4,000.00

Redcar Development Trust (RDT) was originally born from Redcar Amateur Boxing Club which was established in 1998. Through building connections with local businesses as a way of supporting young people into work experience and paid work RDT provides a range of opportunities which offer benefit and support for the wider community of Redcar. Funding will be used to deliver 15 holiday club sessions over the February half term and Easter holiday periods. The sessions will engage young people in the area in positive and meaningful activity, incorporating boxing and other fitness-based activities together with healthy refreshments. The day will consist of physical activity and games, with an emphasis on healthy eating and positive body image. Young people will be encouraged to consider all aspects of their well being and discuss this with the opportunity to signpost to other support, such as "Knock out depression" if appropriate. By offering free attendance at regular boxing training sessions for a month following the holiday periods it is hoped to engage young people longer term in this positive activity.

Hope Church East Cleveland - £1,350.00

Hope Church East Cleveland is a church which aims to challenge issues around poverty, marginalisation and deprivation through running holiday clubs, youth provision, community grocery, free school uniform and activities to support families and parents including during holidays. Funding will be used to provide a free of charge trip to ice skating for 50 young people from the Loftus area during February half term. Previous trips provided through the church have always been well attended as is the current weekly youth provision. By engaging with further

young people it is hoped to divert them into other activities offered through the church.

Taste of Africa - £4,000.00

The vision of Taste of Africa is to build and aid in the development of the African community in Tees Valley and beyond so that they are free from discrimination and prejudice whilst also having a vibrant platform to promote and celebrate their history, heritage and achievements. Funding will be used to run a series of 15 workshops, run Monday to Friday during February half term (5 days) and Easter school holidays (10 days) aimed at young people of colour. The focus will be Pod Casting and Video Editing and will introduce Young Black People (YBP) to a number of vital skills including working in a team environment, learning to take criticism and direction, learning to give criticism and direction and time management skills. The skills learnt during the workshops will increase the young people's employability skills and encourage positive life outcomes.

Community Ventures (Middlesbrough) Ltd - £7,950.00

Community Ventures (Middlesbrough) Limited (CVL) is a community anchor organisation in the heart of East Middlesbrough which creates safe spaces and more connected communities, by providing wrap around individualised support for people to learn, do and grow. North East Cycling Academy (NECA), exists to support and develop cycling activities and to provide infrastructure support to organisations to support, develop and enhance their own wheels-based delivery. Funding will be used to deliver 5 days of drop in cycling workshops during the February half term and 8 days during the Easter holidays. The structure of the sessions will incorporate riding, informal competitive activities, and skills training – this will increase bike handling, confidence on the bike and teach safe riding. Participants will also learn about bike maintenance so that they are able to change a tyre, fix a broken a chain and complete basic clean and care of the bikes. These life skills will help participants use cycling as a method of travel to school/college, as well as being a boost to their independence and eventually future employment. Participants will be offered a hot meal using this time to eat, socialise, play games, and mix informally with the coaching team – this essential bonding time is a key element in the development of conversational skills and the ability to mix with positive peers successfully. The target group for the project will be those identified as most at risk of escalating ASB behaviour. Work with local stakeholders and networks will be undertaken to identify the most appropriate referrals and then use combined engagement and assertive outreach capacity to bring young people on board.

Belle Vue Community Sports and Youth Centre Ltd - £3,832.00

Belle Vue are a community centre based in the disadvantaged Belle Vue estate in central Hartlepool delivering some services for mainly Belle Vue residents but others for people living throughout Hartlepool and beyond. Funding will be used to deliver four activity days, two in February half term and two in the Easter holidays. Days will incorporate trips out to the cinema and soft play together with multisport sessions in the sports hall, full use of the youth club facility including games room, craft area and interactive game area. Young people who have engaged with the team during OPCC funded outreach activity will be diverted into the sessions which will incorporate an element of education on the impact of antisocial behaviour in conjunction with the Cleveland Police Single Point of Contact for the outreach service.

Lingdale Village Hall - £4,000.00

Lingdale Village Hall exists to provide a safe social environment to bring together all age groups to build a stronger and safer community across the Parish of Lockwood which covers the rural villages of Lingdale and Stanghow, Boosbeck, Margrove Park, Moorsholm and Charltons. Funding will be used to deliver a series of events over the February Half term and Easter period under the title of Building Pride in Community. Young people across the Parish

will be targeted to attend and work with older people in the community promoting inter generational community cohesion. February events will include a beauty day, Scavenger Hunt, Kitchen Therapy, Gaming event and Bikability events, aimed at ages 5 -16. Easter events will include Arts and Crafts, Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Parade, Egg rolling, Kitchen Therapy, Themed Disco, Gaming Night, Bike event to link with the British Road Race and a Scavenger hunt.

Play Out Hartlepool CIC / Hartlepool Victoria Ward Community Support Workers - £3,193.65

Play Out Hartlepool CIC exists to promote the importance of outdoor play for everyone. Victoria Ward Community Support Workers (VWCSW) work under the umbrella of HartlePower CIC. They work within the Victoria Ward, an area of extremely high social mobility and economic deprivation, to encourage the development of community relationships within the diverse groups of people who live there. Funding will be used to provide 2 trips out of Hartlepool in February half term, each time for 40 children and their parents/carers to Saltholme and Durham. These trips will allow parents and their children to travel supported on public transport to these two areas of outstanding natural beauty and historical significance, building relationships with other families in their neighbourhood to increase community cohesion and building a sense of pride in and responsibility for our local areas. Funding will also provide two 3 hour long sessions of nature walks and activities in the Burn Valley for children and their parents/carers during the Easter holidays. Participants will be able to find and observe local wildlife and plants, play traditional games such as tig, build dens, orientate themselves around the park using maps and compasses, nature journalling and creating natural art work. In assisting local families to explore their local green spaces and become connected to them these activities will reduce antisocial behaviour by promoting mental health and well being, helping children and families to build communication and relationship skills, fostering a love of and sense of responsibility for the Burn Valley, helping participants to gain skills in social interaction and creating peer support groups and networks.

St Anns Partnership Ltd - £3,200.00

St Ann's Partnership was founded by members of the local community in Portrack and Tilery to promote and facilitate works of regeneration, renewal and well-being for the local community. The area has been identified as a hotspot for antisocial behaviour. Funding will be used to deliver two taster days in a local gym during February half term. The two days will be focused on different age ranges, the first day being for children aged from 4 years to 7 years and the second day for children aged 8 years and upwards. Age related activities with qualified gym instructors together with community centre staff will be accompanied with a meal. Funding will also be used to deliver two off site trips during the Easter school holidays together with two open days at the Community Centre incorporating an Animal Encounters Day open to all ages on the first open day with the second open day focusing on arts and craft activities and games. Again a meal will be provided to all those children and young people attending.

Kids Kabin - £811.80

Kids Kabin contributes to the regeneration of areas of economic disadvantage by providing facilities and fun, creative educational activities for young people to discover their talents and enhance their skills and sense of self. Funding will be used to deliver four activity days during February half term together with an off site theatre trip as a culmination of the activity. Sessions will focus on what antisocial behaviour is, young people's experiences either causing ASB or the way it impacts on them, their family and friends and the wider community. Activities will be planned that will raise awareness of ASB and what changes young people can make in their own behaviour. Activities will include a litter pick and a drama performance where the young people will explore the impact of ASB.

OPCC Lead Officer: Sarah Wilson

Contractor Details (if applicable): As listed 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)

There is sufficient funding available within the Police Property Act Fund to support the proposals set out within this decision record form.

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

There are no legal implications arising.

Equality and Diversity Implications:

None arising.

Human Rights Implications:

None arising.

Sustainability Implications:

Spring Activity Fund allocations are one off funding allocations with bidders required to outline their sustainability plans as part of their application.

Risk Management Implications:

None arising.

OFFICER APPROVAL

Monitoring Officer:


Signed



Date 25.01.24

Police and Crime Commissioner:

Signed



Date 25.01.2024