



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

Request: For Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) approval.

Title: Justice First International Football 2025

Executive Summary:

Justice First is committed to fostering a society that is inclusive, welcoming, and upholds the dignity of individuals seeking refuge in the UK. Based in the Tees Valley, they specifically support asylum seekers navigating the application process, offering a crucial lifeline to those in need. Their work is focused on three core areas: developing solutions, building resilience, and promoting understanding.

Justice First plans to host a one-day multicultural football tournament on Saturday June 21st 2025, with the primary goal of promoting community unity, reducing fear of crime and authorities, and enhancing social integration among diverse social and cultural groups in Teesside. By bringing together communities through sport, they aim to create an environment of inclusivity and understanding.

They anticipate around 20 teams, each consisting of eight players (plus supporters) from different backgrounds, totaling approximately 250 individuals. The event will also feature service providers such as the Red Cross, local police, and health services, who will be present to engage with refugee and asylum-seeking communities. This will offer an opportunity for participants to learn how to confidently access vital services, including reporting crimes, particularly hate crimes – and aligns to the PCC's Police and Crime Plan priorities:

- Ensuring the right support for victims and vulnerable people.
- Building trust and confidence in policing and the criminal justice system.

Justice First are uniquely placed to deliver on such an important annual event.

Decision: For the PCC to agree to provide £2,500 to Justice First to host their annual one-day multicultural football tournament taking place on Saturday June 21st 2025.

OPCC Lead Officer: Rachelle Kipling

Contractor Details (if applicable): Justice First, 133 Norton Road, Stockton-on-Tees. TS18 2BG. Charity Number: 1116388

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="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 within the Police Property Act Fund to support this proposal.

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

There are no legal implications arising.
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Equality and Diversity Implications:

None arising - the event is a celebration of inclusion and aligns with the PCC's engagement equality objective.

Human Rights Implications:

No human rights issues have been identified.
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Sustainability Implications:

None arising – the event is a one day event.
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Risk Management Implications:

None arising.

OFFICER APPROVAL

Monitoring Officer:

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 01/05/2025

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Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Matt

Signed

Date

01/05/2025