



## THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

### DECISION RECORD FORM

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

**Title:** Domestic Abuse Routine Enquiry Practitioner Training Delivery Across South Tees (Middlesbrough and Redcar and Cleveland)

#### Executive Summary:

One of the key priorities in the Police and Crime Plan is '**Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls.**' To deliver on this commitment, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is leading the coordination of the 'Tees-wide Domestic Abuse Perpetration Strategy', launched in April 2025. A key workstream of the strategy - workforce literacy and development - has developed a delivery plan which includes increasing frontline practitioner confidence and capability in conducting routine enquiry. This approach supports the early identification of individuals who may be causing harm in the context of domestic abuse.

As a strategic partner in the Tees-wide programme, Changing Futures South Tees invited the Office of the PCC (OPCC) to submit a funding proposal to support delivery of the strategy. The funding criteria specified that any allocation must be delivered exclusively within the South Tees and spent by 31 March 2026.

In consultation and agreement with partners, workforce development focused activity was agreed as a priority for the funding submission. In the context of an unsuccessful bid to the Home Office for perpetrator funding in 2023, the OPCC had already identified a gap in local training provision: Domestic Abuse Routine Enquiry (DARE) with a perpetrator focus, with no local providers offering this specialist training. The OPCC had previously identified The Hampton Trust as a suitable provider, capable of delivering a CPD-accredited, evidence-based programme endorsed by the Home Office. This provider was, and is, able to deliver at scale and with a level of expediency.

Based on this information, and with timescales being limited, the OPCC, with agreement from The Hampton Trust, submitted a proposal to the Changing Futures South Tees Board in July 2025 requesting £30,000 to support the delivery of DARE training to 150 frontline practitioners across South Tees.

The proposal and request for funding was discussed at the Changing Futures South Tees Board and funding of £30,000 - to be spent by 31 March 2026, was confirmed on 6 October 2025.

Funding will be administered by Middlesbrough Borough Council, and the OPCC will enter into a direct grant agreement with The Hampton Trust. Updates on spend and delivery will be provided to Changing Futures South Tees following conclusion of delivery 31st March 2026.

**Decision:** To agree the OPCC will manage grant arrangements with The Hampton Trust to deliver DARE across South Tees with funding of £30,000 awarded by Changing Futures South Tees via Middlesbrough Borough Council – to support the delivery of DARE training across

South Tees from 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2025 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2026.			
<b>OPCC Lead Officer:</b> Tracey Brittain			
<b>Contractor Details (if applicable):</b> Hampton Trust (Charity number 1055205)			
<b>Implications:</b>			
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"/>	
<b>(If yes please provide further details below)</b>			

### Decision Required – Supporting Information

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

Agreements in relation to the funding are in place and therefore the proposal is fully funding from external funding and therefore is 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.

Equality and Diversity Implications:

None arising.

Human Rights Implications:

None arise.

Sustainability Implications:

This funding is for a bespoke training offer. There are no implications for sustainability.

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

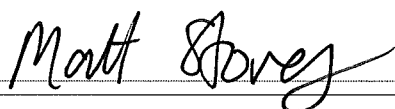


Date 09.10.2025

### Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed



Date 10/10/25

