



## THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

### DECISION RECORD FORM

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

**Title:** Protect and Support Fund – additional allocation

#### **Executive Summary:**

This decision notice should be read in conjunction with [DRF 2025 2026 017](#).

A key priority in the Police and Crime Commissioner's 2024-29 Police and Crime Plan is 'Ensure the right support for victims and vulnerable people.' This includes ensuring that they **feel supported and listened to** and have access to **high-quality** services at the right time.

As a result of the above, in late July – early September 2025 the PCC launched a **Protect and Support Fund** to pilot new approaches and develop sustainable solutions in support of this priority.

The PCC has made available funding from the Police Property Act Fund (PPAF) to enable local registered charities to access a one-off grant that works towards one (or more) of the below aims:

- Enhance existing support and protection for vulnerable victims
- Reach and support under-represented groups

Applicants were able to apply for a maximum of **£15,000** per project.

In total, 28 bids were submitted by the deadline on 10 September 2025, 12 of which were rejected due to failing to meet essential selection criteria.

Following an application review meeting held on **16 September 2025** attended by the PCC, Policy, Partnerships and Delivery Manager, the Policy, Partnerships and Delivery Officer and Business Support Officer – the PCC made the decision to fund 14 organisations as outlined in DRF 2025 2026 017. During the review meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025 further information was requested from The Halo Project to clarify the proposed delivery details contained in their application to the Protect and Support Fund.

The Halo Project confirmed that they propose to deliver a bespoke, supplementary service, an enhanced engagement and support model for victims of Honour Based Abuse (HBA) delivered with additional reach into communities, identifying and spotlighting support for a number of complex HBA victims and working closely in partnership with Cleveland Police to create and embed a greater cultural understanding and safeguarding model - "a blueprint" of best practice for victims facing HBA in Cleveland .

Following a discussion with the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) as a result of this additional clarification and information, the PCC approved the application.

<b>Decision:</b> To approve funding of up to £15,000 from the Police Property Act Fund to the Halo Project as set out above.			
<b>OPCC Lead Officer:</b> Tracey Brittain/Rachel Parker			
<b>Contractor Details (if applicable):</b>  The Halo Project (Charity number 1159143)			
<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)

There is sufficient funding within the Police Property Act fund to support this decision.
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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.
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Human Rights Implications:

None arising.
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Sustainability Implications:

Protect and Support Fund applications are one-off allocations with bidders required to set out sustainability plans as part of their application.

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 28.11.2025

**Police and Crime Commissioner:**

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed



Date 28.11.2025