



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

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

Title: Prevention Panel Intervention and Management Funding.

Executive Summary:

As part of the Government's Young Futures Programme, and in alignment with the Police and Crime Plan priority to, 'Reduce crime, antisocial behaviour and harm', the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) secured Home Office funding to support the development and delivery of a local Young Futures Prevention Panel.

In October 2025, a multi-agency Prevention Panel was established in Hartlepool (Hartlepool Inclusion Panel), to pilot a local approach to identify and support children and young people who are vulnerable and at risk of being drawn into crime, including serious violence.

Since implementation, service mapping has been carried out to identify the support required for young people. This process has highlighted additional services needed to meet the individual needs of those referred to the panel.

These include:

Mentoring

One to one work with young people and to positively impact on substance misuse, behavioural difficulties, educational outcomes, and self-esteem.

Restorative Justice

This intervention includes assessment and awareness sessions designed to help young people understand the impact of their behaviour on others and on the wider community. It is an established approach that supports both the person responsible for the behaviour and those affected, enabling communication and, where appropriate, facilitating steps to repair the harm caused.

Therapeutic interventions

These interventions encompass a range of services, which may include support from a qualified social worker who provides individual mentoring for the most complex cases identified by the prevention panel. They will involve counselling or specialist therapy, as well as activities that help young people develop social-emotional skills such as self-regulation, communication, relationship-building, and decision-making. The overall aim of therapeutic techniques is to help young people manage their behaviour more effectively and develop healthy, appropriate coping strategies.

In addition, a further requirement has been identified for strengthened management oversight of the Prevention Panel and the delivery of interventions.

To support the delivery of Prevention Panel interventions, funding will be awarded to Hartlepool Borough Council to provide the required interventions and additional management support up to 31st March 2026.

Decision: To agree funding for Hartlepool Borough Council of up to £45,580.00, to deliver the following services by the 31st March 2026 – as detailed above, with costs broken down as follows:

- £19,000 - for the provision of an individualised mentoring service for children and young people, identified as suitable for this support by members of the Hartlepool Prevention Panel.
- £1,000 - for the delivery of Restorative Justice services by Hartlepool Youth Justice Services, including a Band 9 RJ-trained officer to conduct assessments of children and young people referred by the panel and to deliver supported victim-awareness and restorative sessions.
- £19,000 - for the provision of therapeutic interventions accessed through the local authority's register of services.
- £6,580 - for management oversight provided by the Executive Head Teacher – Vulnerable Pupils, within Children's and Joint Commissioning Services.

OPCC Lead Officer: Simon Smart

Contractor Details (if applicable): Hartlepool Borough Council

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 Grant provided to the PCC in relation to the Violence Reduction Unit in particular the Prevention Partnership element 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.

Equality and Diversity Implications:

The funding will support collaboration with all partner agencies and their representatives. Full equality and diversity policies are required and will be in place from the commissioned service. This post is available to applicants from all backgrounds, including, gender, race, sexuality, disability status, and age groups. They all will receive equal access to the process

Human Rights Implications:

None arising

Sustainability Implications:

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

Risk Management Implications:

Any risk minimised and mitigated by performance framework requirements in all grant agreements alongside standard Home Office reporting guidelines and expectations

OFFICER APPROVAL

Monitoring Officer:

I have been consulted about the decision and confirm that financial, legal, and equalities advice has been considered. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.



Signed _____ Date 13/03/2026

Police and Crime Commissioner:

The above request HAS my approval.

Signed  _____ Date 13/03/2026