

## THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

## **DECISION RECORD FORM**

REQUEST: For PCC approval following agreement at the funding meeting on 25/02/16
Title: Home Instead Senior Care – Protecting Vulnerable People from Fraud
Executive Summary:
Home Instead Senior Care is a private sector organisation who provide high quality companionship, home help and personal care for elderly or other vulnerable people who want to live as independently and for as long as possible in the comfort of their own homes.

There are a growing number of scams directed at elderly people and other vulnerable groups, both nationally and in the Cleveland area. The project will aim to help 'Protect Elderly People from Fraud' by running over 200 workshops for interested groups / community collectives. Workshops will raise awareness and inform people about fraud, together with providing tools and advice to help people avoid being affected by these increasing activities. Home Instead Senior Care nationally is a major partner with the national 'Think Jessica' charity (also associated with Cleveland Police) and the Alzheimers Society and have produced presentation materials, a 'toolkit' as well as hand-out booklets and checklists to be communicated with and distributed to local communities and interested groups via the local franchise network of independent offices around the country. The project aims to work with local agencies such as libraries, Neighbourhood Police, Community Groups, Independent Living Facilities, Voluntary and Interest Groups such as the Women's Institute, Royal Voluntary Service, Age UK, Trading Standards, Community Centres and any and every other interested group involved with protecting and enhancing the lives, interests and wellbeing of elderly people.

Promotion will be via community networking and media. The project will deliver over 200 presentations to over 5000 people directly. Vulnerable people, specifically the elderly, across the region will be direct beneficiaries of the information and toolkits. Benefits will be via the reduction in the propensity for crime and the fear of crime as well as avoiding the devastating emotional, financial and physical trauma of the effects of being scammed.

## **Decision:**

To approve £16,062 spend from the PCC Commu Senior Care to deliver 200 Fraud Awareness wo across Cleveland.	nity Safety In orkshops to e	itiative Fund elderly and v	to Home Instead ulnerable people
OPCC Lead Officer: Sarah Wilson			
Contractor Details (if applicable): Home Instead S	Senior Care		
Implications:			
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No	
Financial			
Legal			
Equality & Diversity			
Human Rights			

Sustainability				
Risk				
(If yes please provide further details below)				

## **Decision Required – Supporting Information**

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC's CFO where the decision has financial implications)
The PCC has sufficient funding available to fund this proposal
Legal Implications: (Must include comments of the Monitoring Officer where the decision has legal implication)
Grant arrangement pursuant to the PCC's commissioning powers set out in s143 Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014
Equality and Diversity Implications
None arise
Human Rights Implications
None arise
Sustainability Implications
None arise
Risk Management Implications
None arise
OFFICER APPROVAL Chief Executive 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: 14/3/16
Police and Crime Commissioner:
The above request HAS my approval.  Signed: Date: /5/3/6
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