

Reference No: **43 - 2016** 

# THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

#### **DECISION RECORD FORM**

**REQUEST:** For PCC approval following agreement at the funding approvals meeting held on 25 February 2016

Title: Safer in Communities Project (SIC) - Halo Project

**Executive Summary:** The Halo Project deals with women who are at the heart of their communities and are often best placed to recognise early warning signs of radicalisation. This can include noticing behavioural changes in people in the home or community which might be of concern, whether that be in terms of drug addiction, gang involvement, or recruitment to terrorism.

However, Muslim women have been identified as having little contact or interaction with the police as highlighted by research commissioned by the NPCC called 'Assessing the Effects of Prevent Policing'.

The Halo "SIC" Project- (Safer in Communities) will involve the BME community and wider groups to engage with the issue of radicalisation and extremism by providing safe open spaces and constructive dialogue which looks at the signs, issues and support available for those at risk. The project will be in community by providing the following interventions:-

- Community Workshops; by engaging with constituted and informal groups within Cleveland workshops will be provided which will highlight the risks, attitudes and barriers for individuals.
- Virtual Community Network a web based platform will be developed for forums and
  information networks which can support worried or concerned community members. This
  will include a campaign to report concerns within the community. There will also be "SIC"
  banner stands left in community centres which will be rotated across Cleveland to raise
  the awareness of the initiative.
- Round Table meeting learning from the project along with subject experts will be brought together where the sharing of good practice can take place to understand the issues affecting communities living in Cleveland.
- Islamaphobia Hate Crime "SIC" reporting The project will raise the awareness of islamphobic hate crimes, how to report crimes and identify what barriers exist for BME communities.

The project links into a number of other projects that the PCC has supported including work around increasing the reporting of incidents by the BMe community, specifically hate crime.

<b>Decision:</b> To support the Safer in Communities Project delivered by the Halo Project at a cost of £17,200					
OPCC Lead Officer: Rachelle Kipling					
Contractor Details (if applicable): The Halo Project	ct				
Implications:					
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No			
Financial			-		
Legal					
Equality & Diversity					
Human Rights					

Sustainability		
Risk		
(If yes	lease provide further detail	s below)

## **Decision Required – Supporting Information**

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC's CFO where the decision has financial implications)
The financial implications of this decision are affordable within the 2016-17 Budget that was approved by the PCC in February 2016.
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

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Date:

the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signed:

Police and Crir	ne Commissioner:		
The above requ	est HAS my approval.		
Signed:	G-Coppin	Date: 23/3/16	