

# THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

# **DECISION RECORD FORM**

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

**Title:** Autumn Activity Fund – October 2024

#### **Executive Summary:**

The PCC has funding available through the Police Property Act Fund (PPAF) to support registered charities to deliver crime reduction and community safety initiatives. Charities were invited to apply under the 'Autumn Activities Fund' campaign during late September / early October 2024.

The Autumn Activities Fund invited organisations to run projects or events during antisocial behaviour flashpoints this autumn (during the period 26 October – 9 November). The one-off grant was required to support one of the below points:

- Reducing anti-social behaviour
- Diverting people away from anti-social behaviour
- Encouraging positive solutions that overcome the issues that communities face as a result of anti-social behaviour
- Building resilience in communities to respond to anti-social behaviour
- Support early intervention approaches to anti-social behaviour

Following an application review meeting on 18 October 2024 attended by the Police and Crime Commissioner, Head of Policy, Partnerships and Delivery and Business Support Officer the Police and Crime Commissioner has agreed to support the below organisations.

Please note a number of bids submitted to this funding opportunity have been requested to provide further information before a decision is made on their application, as a result a further decision record may follow.

#### **Decision:**

To approve funding from the Police Property Act Fund as set out below:

#### MFC Foundation - £500.00 – Reg. Charity Number: 1059418

Premier League Kicks, delivered by MFC Foundation, engages young people in high need areas aged 8-18 in diversionary activities on evenings. The programme uses the power of football to help tackle antisocial behaviour and crime in communities whilst inspiring and motivating young people to engage in positive activities. Funding will be used to cover the costs of facility hire for diversionary activities during the half term school holidays. During the period of funding, MFC Foundation will deliver 27 regular sessions per week and one intra-site tournament that will see 10 teams from across PL Kicks regular sessions coming together to represent their site in a 7 a-side football competition. The tournament will be held at

Middlesbrough College, providing educational workshops to showcase departments/topics giving young people the opportunity to see a college facility. This engagement aims to raise young people's aspirations and promote positive education pathways.

## St Ann's Partnership - £500.00 – Reg. Charity Number: 1141202

St Ann's Partnership was founded by members of the local community in Portrack and Tilery to promote and facilitate regeneration, renewal and well-being for the local community. The area has been identified as a hotspot for antisocial behaviour. Funding will be used to provide a free of charge Halloween Party on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October from 4pm-6pm at The Willows Community Centre with availability for 50 children to attend along with their parents/carers. It is anticipated this will divert children and young people from antisocial behaviour by providing positive activities to engage in.

## Teesside Vineyard Church - £500.00 – Reg. Charity Number: 1115088

Teesside Vineyard Church is based in Thornaby, which is ranked amongst the top 10% of most deprived areas within UK neighbourhoods. Although church based, their outreach work is community wide and accessible to all. Funding will be used to deliver a free of charge Light Party on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 between 4pm – 6pm for children aged 2 to 10 years, together with free breakfast and craft activities for the local primary school aged children on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October between 10:00 – 12:00. Through the events it is hoped that the project will be able to form ongoing relationships with the families and children and divert them into ongoing engagement going forwards to encourage participation in positive activities.

## Wharton Trust - £500.00 – Re. Charity Number: 1059956

Wharton Trust are a community centre based within the Dyke House area of Hartlepool which is within the top 2% of deprived wards in the UK. The centre is committed to the local children and young people, in particular providing access to a safe and fun environment and engaging children and young people of all ages in positive activities. Funding will be used to engage young people in positive activities, thereby diverting young people away from antisocial behaviour by keeping them engaged and challenged. Young people will be involved in the planning around the trip to help develop their planning and team work skills and to foster a sense of belonging and responsibility.

## Junction Foundation - £191.45 – Reg. Charity Number: 112557

The Junction is a Tees Valley based charity, supporting children and young people up to the age of 25 and families that face additional challenges. The Junction's aim is to empower children, young people and their families to embrace life with confidence, facing life's challenges in a positive way. Funding will be used to hold Halloween Parties / Activities for the young people at Breckon Hill on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October, Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October and Grove Hill on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November. Each session will run 6:00pm - 8:00pm It is hoped that these positive activities will divert young people from negative behaviours during a period of peak demand.

# Belle Vue Community Sports and Youth Centre Itd - £500.00 – Reg Charity Number: 1099395

Belle Vue are a community center based in the disadvantaged Belle Vue estate in central Hartlepool, delivering services primarily for Belle Vue residents but also for people living throughout Hartlepool. Funding will be used to deliver a Halloween themed party on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October for local children and young people. Food will be provided together with bespoke entertainment to provide young people with an experience they would not generally be open to. The OPCC funded Targeted Detached Youth Outreach team, delivered by Belle Vue, will signpost young people to the event which will also be attended by the Cleveland Police youth engagement SPOC to build relationships with the young people whilst having informal discussions around the impact of antisocial behaviour.

#### Kidz Konnekt - £500.00 – Reg Charity Number: 1138691

Kidz Konnekt provide advice, assistance and activity programmes for young people aimed at advancing them in life by developing their skills, capabilities and capacities thereby advancing education and relieving unemployment. Funding will be used to contribute towards the costs of running five activity days for young people in South Bank and Grangetown during the half term holidays. Activities will include sports such as football, table tennis, pool, air hockey and archery, creative activities, outdoor adventure, music workshops, team building and off-site trips. It is hoped the activities will divert young people from negative behaviour whilst also encouraging them to access open access youth provision based out of the youth centre going forwards. The project will also be an opportunity to introduce young people to other forms of support available through the Kidz Konnect Emotional Health and Wellbeing project.

#### Boosbeck Village Hall - £500.00 - Reg. Charity Number: 513834

Boosbeck village hall is run by volunteers with the aim of improving the lives of those living within the local community and surrounding villages. Funding will be used to host two events during the half term holidays – a free of charge children's Halloween disco event with refreshments and games together with 2 cooking sessions for older children/teenagers to cook and eat together facilitated by Cook Stars Tees Valley East. There will be small charge for the cooking sessions which will be used towards the costs of delivering further activities during the Christmas holidays.

## Hope Church North East - £426.00 – Reg. Charity Number: 1130868

Hope Church North East is a community church based in an area of economic and social marginalisation. The church offers youth activities, family events, community grocery, wellbeing activities and free meals to encourage community cohesion. Funding will be used to deliver two events – a Halloween themed disco party for 7-12 year olds on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October and a karaoke event for 12-16 year olds on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November. It is hoped that the events will divert children and young people form negative behaviours and also signpost them into longer term youth club provision promoting positive activities and community involvement.

## Hardwick in Partnership Ltd - £500.00 - Reg. Charity Number: - 1048266

Hardwick in Partnership aims to relieve poverty and advance education by promoting and providing training opportunities. The organisation delivers a programme for children and young people aged 9 to 18 years across three evening sessions per week in the Hardwick estate. Funding will be used to engage 25 local young people in local positive activities, reducing the opportunities for negative behaviour in the local area whilst also developing team work, communication and listening skills through the activity.

## 17<sup>th</sup> Teesside Boys Brigade - £500.00 – Reg Charity Number: 305969

The 17<sup>th</sup> Teesside Boys brigade is a youth organisation that meets weekly to provide boys aged 5 to 18 with positive, structured activities which aim to develop physical, educational and social skills. Funding will be used to deliver a Halloween party, encouraging positive social interaction, and also to enhance this and future sessions by purchasing equipment to assist with introducing engaging educational content in this and future sessions.

## Community Led Inclusion Partnership (CLIP) - £500.00 – Reg .Charity Number: 1208902

CLIP aims to promote social inclusion in Hartlepool and the surrounding areas by providing a network for those who are socially excluded based on disability or ill health, thereby increasing opportunities for members of this community. Funding will be used to run a holiday activity scheme for young people with special educational needs and disabilities, with four sessions during the school holiday period incorporating forest school and animal therapy sessions. The project will provide opportunities for this vulnerable group who struggle to access mainstream programmes.

#### PFC Trust – £500.00 – Reg. Charity Number: 1200844

The PFC Trust was set up with the mission of 'helping Hartlepool people' with a particular focus on how this can be achieved through movement and sport. Funding will be used to deliver a pumpkin carving competition and trail around Hartlepool Headland Town Moor playground on the evening of Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October which is traditionally a peak period for antisocial behaviour. Local sports clubs will be engaged in the event to offer signposting into the positive activities they provide and encourage positive participation in sport. Local businesses will also be engaged, in particular the Heugh Battery Museum which has agreed to extend their opening hours to coincide with the event. It is hope that bringing communities together at this time to engage in positive activity will generate an increased feeling of community cohesion.

## ROC Group - £500.00 – Reg. Charity Number: 1123959

ROC Group are a charity who provide support to people with a range of vulnerabilities who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Funding will be used to engage young people in positive activities amongst a with a very vulnerable and marginalised cohort who lack the means to self fund in these activities.. Activities will be preceded by in house sessions focusing on antisocial behaviour and its impact on communities. Sessions will also be delivered on keeping safe and hate crime awareness.

## Youth Focus North East - £500.00 – Reg. Charity Number: 1101799

Youth Focus North East is an independent charity established in 1989 with the overall vision to improve the lives of young people through high quality youth work. The charity run weekly provisions for young people in the following areas of East Middlesbrough; North Ormesby, Pallister Park, Park End, and Thorntree. Funding will be used to deliver a range of pop-up youth sessions in the areas above on the evening of increased demand. Engagement will be undertaken in advance of the sessions with those engaging in the weekly provision to determine what activities young people would most like to see on this evening to thereby increase positive engagement.

## Stockton ARC - £498.40 – Reg. Charity Number: 1095460

ARC is a charity, working from its arts centre venue to enhance the wellbeing of the whole community of Stockton and the Tees Valley; through arts and creative activity, through widening opportunities to experience and participate in the arts, and through our partnerships and leadership of networks, both locally and nationally. Funding will be used to deliver 'Our Stockton' which will bring up to 20 young people together to engage in a full day of project activity at ARC Stockton, to creatively explore addressing antisocial behaviour. Participants, aged 11-16 and living in the TS18 postcode area, will be able to invite friends, family, carers and community members to view the work they create at a celebration sharing event at the end of the day. This will enable participants' learning, ideas and work to act as starting points for wider conversations around tacking ASB in their communities.

OPCC Lead Officer: Sarah Wilson, Policy, Partnerships and Delivery Officer

## Contractor Details (if applicable): As listed above

Implications:		r	
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 Chief Finance Officer where the decision has financial implications)

There is sufficient funding with the Police Property Act Fund to support the costs of the decisions set out within this document.

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 arising.

Sustainability Implications:

Autumn Activity Fund allocations are one off funding allocations with bidders required to outline their sustainability plans as part of their application.

**Risk Management Implications:** 

None arising.

OFFICER APPROVAL

**Monitoring Officer:** 

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Date 23.10.2024

## Police and Crime Commissioner:

Matt

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Date 24.10.2024