Reference No: 87-2015



THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND

DECISION RECORD FORM

REQUEST: To approve the use of Community Payback (unpaid work) for adults and the associated costs to ARCC (Community Rehabilitation Company) for delivery of this as part of Community Remedy.

Title: Community Remedy - Community Payback (unpaid work)

Executive Summary:

Community Remedy was introduced in the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. It is a tool to give victims a say in the out of court punishment of perpetrators for low level crime and anti-social behaviour.

Following feedback from a consultation by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner in March 2014, a list of options were identified and agreed in order for victims to indicate their preference as to how the perpetrator should be dealt with. One of the options on the list includes reparation.

Reparation allows the victim or Police Officer to seek appropriate community work to repair the harm caused if/when possible. Examples include: fixing a damaged fence or clearing litter from the victim's garden. If there is no appropriate reparation found then the perpetrator can be referred to an appropriate reparation scheme. For adults this will be facilitated by ARCC (Community Rehabilitation Company).

When referred to ARCC the perpetrator will be interviewed and assessed to as to their suitability for the type of work to be completed. The victim will be consulted with in regards to this. The individual will then be allocated a work placement. Information on the perpetrators appointments and attendance will be shared with the RJ co-ordinator for monitoring and recording purposes.

Community Payback has wide reaching benefits, it is intended as a punishment and also as a means by which perpetrators can make amends to the individual / community for the harm they have caused. This in turn allows the perpetrator to understand the consequences of their actions and also gives the victim the satisfaction that the perpetrator has been dealt with appropriately and fairly.

Where practicable supervised group sessions will be utilised to achieve value for money, however dependent upon referrals individual placements may need to be commissioned.

Decision:

To agree:

- (i) the use of Community Payback via ARCC (when necessary) as part of Community Remedy
- (ii) the costs below associated with this initiative based on an estimated number of eight referrals per month from 1 September 2015 to 31 March 2016 (referrals will be reviewed on a regular basis):
 - £2,501.24

Contractor Details (if applicable):		
ARCC (Community Rehabilitation Company)		
Implications:		
Has consideration been taken of the following:	Yes	No
Financial		
Legal		
Equality & Diversity		
Human Rights		
Sustainability	\boxtimes	
Risk		

Decision Required – Supporting Information

Signed:

Financial Implications: (Must include comments of the PCC's CFO where the decision has financial implications)

The costs included within this decision are indicative but affordable within the budget set for 2015/16. Actual costs will be dependent on the amount of referrals that take place in the remainder of the financial year.

Legal Implications: (Must include comments of the Monitoring Officer where the decision has legal implication)
As set out in Executive Summary.
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Equality and Diversity Implications
N/A
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Human Rights Implications
N/A
Sustainability Implications
N/A
Risk Management Implications
N/A
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: James Date: 1/10/15
Police and Crime Commissioner:
The above request HAS my approval. Signed: Date: 1/10/15
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