

**THE OFFICE OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
FOR DERBYSHIRE
DECISION RECORD**

Request for PCC Decision

**Received in OPCC
Date: MARCH 2024**

OPCC Ref: DN45-24

Proposal for a project to help prevent scams and fraud in Derbyshire

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire, Angelique Foster, has agreed to support a project proposal from Rural Action Derbyshire (RAD) to raise awareness about Scams and Fraud across the voluntary and community sector (VCS) network in Derbyshire and to upskill VCS organisations to provide up to date prevention information and advice and support within communities.

The focus of the proposal is to appoint a part time co-ordinator to work with voluntary sector organisations across Derbyshire in priority communities to provide awareness sessions on scams.

A network of "Communities against Scams" will be built by upskilling first the voluntary groups and raising public awareness and then building a programme of volunteer training for the peer support element of the specification. The voluntary organisations will be encouraged to recruit and train volunteers to provide support to victims and help them to report a crime to the police and relevant agencies.

Priorities will be to:

1. Ensure that people are empowered to develop knowledge of scams and how to protect themselves
2. Organisations working with people most vulnerable to scams feel connected to sources of information and intelligence
3. Scams awareness is built into the support offered by voluntary sector infrastructure organisations.

Decision

Approved

Declaration

I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire. Any such interests are recorded below.

None

The above request has my approval.

Signature



Date 28 March 2024

PUBLICATION SCHEME CONSIDERATIONS

Is the related Section B report to be published Yes/No

The report contains commercially sensitive information.

Is the publication of this approval to be deferred No

If Yes, provide reasons below

Date to be deferred to –

NB Statutory Instrument 2011/3050 (as amended by SI 2012/2479) states that: *all decisions made by a PCC are in the types of information that must "be published as soon as practicable after it becomes available to the elected local policing body".*

OFFICER APPROVAL**Chief Executive or Nominee:**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report.

I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner

Name Andrew Dale

Date 28 March 2024