

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

Decision Record Number **19/2023**

Title Trauma-Informed Education Longitudinal Study

**Executive Summary:**

This is a record of the decision to fund a longitudinal study of the HU9 Trauma-Informed Education Pilot.

To approve funding of £10,000 to the current evaluation team (Dr Victoria Burton, Dr Helen Gibson and Sarah Donkin – staffing subject to availability and researchers with specialist knowledge/experience could be utilised if current leads unavailable) based in the University of Hull for delivery of a longitudinal study; re-visiting and building upon initial evaluation and research with two schools in the HU9 pilot area.

**Decision of the PCC:** Option 3 agreed to fully fund.

**Background Report:** Open

**Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside**

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct.

Any such interests are recorded below.

The above decision has my approval.

**Signature**



**Date 16/05/2023**

**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER  
FOR HUMBERSIDE**

**SUBMISSION FOR: DECISION**

**OPEN**

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**Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023

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**1. Executive Summary**

As part of the long-term objectives of the Public Health Approach to Domestic Abuse (PHADA) Project to prevent violence in the home, we would like to extend the evaluation period of the current educational intervention pilot in the HU9 postcode area of Hull; evaluating the long-term effectiveness of a trauma-informed approach and seeking to identify a sustainable model.

**2. Recommendation(s)**

To approve the funding of £10,000 for additional evaluation and research purposes.

**3. Background**

As per report below.

**4. Options**

- 1) Do nothing, do not provide the funding. This option is not recommended as we believe this provides an excellent opportunity for an increased understanding of the impact and sustainability of a trauma-informed approach within education.
- 2) Use an alternative method to fund this longitudinal study.
- 3) Fully fund the request. This option is supported and recommended as it will provide us additional research material and learning.

**5. Financial Implications**

Total spend will be £10,000, to be paid directly to the University of Hull research and evaluation team, costings are in line with previous similar spend.

**6. Legal Implications**

Ethical research methods associated with evaluation to be agreed and met by University of Hull. GDPR requirements to be agreed and signed off by OPCC Data Protection lead.

**7. Driver for Change/Contribution to Delivery of the Police and Crime Plan**

This research will help progress two key aims of OPCC activity:

- Engaged, Resilient and Inclusive Communities
- Safer Communities –to focus activities on interventions that significantly impact on local crime levels

**8. Equalities Implications**

The pilot geographical area has been selected using Operation Encompass data and additional supporting information to identify the highest prevalence of children affected by domestic abuse within the Humber area; Hull was one of three key area and HU9 has been specifically targeted due to significant social and economic deprivation indicators alongside high volume of reported Domestic Abuse.

**9. Consultation**

Key stakeholders views have been sought and used to inform this proposal, both schools have consented to potential further participation in a pilot study, subject to ethical approval.

**10. Media information**

This pilot study forms part of our wider partnership work in supporting children and young people, preventing serious violence and improving the evidence base for positive interventions with those affected by domestic abuse.

**11. Background documents**

Below.

**12. Publication**

Open

**13. DPIA considered**

University researchers have confirmed that subject data will be anonymously coded for reference and no personal information shared, both schools will act as data controllers for their personal information and data. OPCC GDPR lead consulted and satisfied that no DPIA is necessary.

## **APPENDIX ONE:**

### **HU9 Trauma-Informed Education Pilot – Longitudinal Study**

- **Background paper**

#### **Opportunity to pilot a trauma informed approach**

1. We are currently running a trauma-informed education intervention pilot with two schools and two children's centres in the HU9 Marfleet area of Hull (background data provided in Decision Record 12/2022).
2. All education settings have now received trauma-informed training and ongoing therapeutic peer support from a training and therapy provider.
3. Evaluation of the pilot has been provided by a team from the University of Hull and is due to end in June/July 2023, with a report due in August 2023.
4. A funded longitudinal study would allow the team to re-visit the two key schools to evaluate the longer-term impact of the training and to better understand to what extent a trauma-informed relational approach has been embedded, taking into account attendance rates, isolations and exclusions and measurement of wellbeing of both staff and children and young people.
5. The additional study would take place after an appropriate length of time has passed, as decided by the evaluation team and will include an additional mini literature review to take into account any new findings in the time elapsed.
6. Staff and senior leadership from both the primary and secondary school will be invited to take part in a survey and focus groups/interviews to review their knowledge and experience of using a trauma-informed approach within their education setting. The survey will seek to understand any barriers to implementation, any observation of positive change and any recommendations to support sustainability.

## APPENDIX TWO:

### Research Team costings

Staffing	£6,912
Travel (Local travel and conference dissemination)	£1,600
Research Costs:	
• Participant Incentives	£360
• Transcription fees	£1,128
<b>Total</b>	<b>£10,000</b>