COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

A Community Impact Assessment should be considered for all pre-planned policing activity including Section 18 searches and as soon as practicable in the case of a major incident or crime. It is especially important they are considered in incidents which involve or are at risk of heightening community tension or disorder.

Is a Community Impact Assessment required?

While PCA 2.0 is not considered to have any significant adverse impact on communities, but rather a strong positive impact, having regard to the nature of the project and the number of individuals who may be affected by it to some degree, it is considered appropriate to conduct a CIA.

Nature of the Policing Activity

Collection of personal data from Member Organisations to identify suspicious activity with a view to improving cyber resilience and taking action against cybercrime offenders.

Location of the Activity

UK wide.

Date of the Activity January 2022 onwards

Which person /persons are anticipated to be affected by the event

Any individual who engages with a Member Organisation's networks is affected by the project to some degree, while those engaged in suspicious activity will be most affected.

Does this location have particular religious, historical, political or cultural significance? N/A.

Does this date have particular religious, historical, political or cultural significance? N/A

Multicultural Matters on the diversity intranet site via the link below:http://citynet.colp/csd/diversity/content_-_home_page-newpage-20.htm

Is the activity shared with another department or organisation? Forces throughout the UK will participate in PCA 2.0.

Consider the list below when completing the questions overleaf. (This is not an exhaustive list but you may wish to consider them individually).

Please click to select from list

You may wish to consider them in the following context: - As City residents

Other considerations relating to the impact on the activity should include: -

Please click to select from list

Detail any consultation conducted.

The project has been the subject of a public nationwide pilot. This involves liaising with force cybercrime units and their respective legal and data protection advisors across the country. There is a Governance Board for the project, which has approved the referral of the project to an independent ethical advisory group. It is also intended to establish a Technical Advisory Group to engage with the supplier in relation to the project.

Describe the impact the policing activity may have on the community

PCA 2.0 will involve the collection of personal data of all individuals engaging with Member Organisations, having regard to the data types Member Organisations choose to share. This is in no way discriminatory. Data is then filtered having regard to pre-set objective rules, which do not relate to personal characteristics. It is not anticipated that any one or more ethnic groups will be adversely affected by PCA 2.0.

Anecdotally, PCA 2.0 may involve the collection of data which disproportionately affects men and young people. Scientific research raises the possibility that individuals with autistic traits (albeit not diagnosed with autism) may be at increased risk of involvement in cyber dependent crime. This would result in the disproportionate collection of data relating to such individuals. However, the data collection relates to objective rules applied to identify cybercrime contrary to the Computer Misuse Act 1990.

Nevertheless, PCA 2.0 is considered to have a significant overall benefit to the community.

if you have indicated there is a negative impact on any group is that impact: -		
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Necessary?	.egal?	Proportionate?
Yes ⊠ No □	Yes ⊠ No □	Yes ⊠ No □

What steps have been taken to adapt the policing activity to **minimise** the anticipated impact? Measures have been taken to increase the transparency of the project, including through the use of the PCA website, its social media accounts and through media coverage, including on the BBC. The project does not operate to target any group, but in light of scientific research identifying that those demonstarting autistic traits but who have not been diagnosed with autism are more prevalent among cyber offenders, neurodiversity training has been procured and supplied by the NPCC Cybercrime Programme to force cyber crime units.

In addition to the above can you take any proactive steps to improve relationships with the community and that between different community groups?

Under the Race Relations (Amendment) Act there are three general Duties that all public authorities and therefore the police service need to consider. These duties include the need to give due regard to: -

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination
- Promote Equality of Opportunity and
- Promote good relations between people of different racial groups.

A national communications strategy is in development to demontsrate the value of the project to the public, and the safeguards that are in place, in order to strengthen relationships with the community.

Who have you informed of this policing activity?

PCA 2.0 is a project undertaken by the NPCC Cybercrime Programme through its host force, CoLP, and is a national programme, which has been notified to all police forces. PCA has also been notified to the public, through the PCA website and social media accounts, and media coverage.

Any further information and updates

This document will be considered for review in conjunction with the DPIA. In light of the fact that the identifies of indivduals engaged in suspicious activity will not be identified unless and until action is taken against them, however, it is not anticipated that statistical information relevant to PCA 2.0 will be available until the 6 month review at the earliest.