



Appendix D - Evidence Based Research Application Guidance

Integrity

Respect

Performance

Responsibility

Innovation

Section 2: Summary

- Please create a concise title stating the main topic of your research; this can be in the format of a title or as a research question.
- How does your research fit in with the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) plan and/or Derbyshire's Policing priorities?
- In the brief summary section, please formulate an outline (200 words maximum) of the broad subject matter and what your research will focus on within this category. What will your research encompass? What are the main objectives of the research: what the research aims to explore or find out? What will you use in terms of methodology: how you will go about carrying out your research? What tools or resources will you use?

Section 3: Outcomes

- What is your research aiming to prove/show/explore?
- What is your expected outcome/conclusion?
- How these outcomes could affect/impact/change Derbyshire Police as an organisation?
- How your research findings will be presented and formatted?
- Can the research be placed on the College of Policing Research Map as being conducted and once completed, the results of the research? This will help Police Forces nationally to keep track of What Works.

Section 4: Methodology

- Please provide some detail into how you plan to undertake your research and the methods which you plan to use? Observations? Questionnaires? Interviews? Focus groups? Surveys?
- Will your methods/findings be of a qualitative or quantitative nature?
- Will you carry out your own primary research or use secondary academic sources to inform your work (or a mixture of both)?
- If you require participants, how many will you need and how will you go about picking them? What is the target participant group?
- What sampling method will you use to gather your participant sample?
- Do you have adequate access to academic resources and if not how do you plan to access them?
- If you will be carrying out observations, will this be 'participant' or 'non-participant' (will you as the researcher be taking part in your observation and getting involved)?
- Will any observations be 'covert' or 'overt' (will participants be aware they are taking part in your research or not)?
- Does your research plans and methodology require any ethical considerations? If so what are these and how will you go about addressing them?

Section 5: Timescales

- Approximately how long will your research piece take to produce?
- Can you break down your research plans into milestones for completion?
- How do you plan on presenting your progress to the Force as you go along?