

Level

Tier

Scope

Service

District, County, Unitary

Community Services



# Joint Drone Unit

Characteristic(s) / CSF(s):  
Use of Digital & Technology



## Problem and Approach

- The new joint drone unit between CDDFRS and Durham Constabulary was jointly funded by CDDFRS and Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner.
- The project saw drones assisting at incidents across both organisations.
- The drones capture live overhead imagery which can be instantly streamed to the incident command support unit, as well as thermal imagery to show the ferocity of a fire or searching for people who may be trapped or missing.

## Outcomes

- Supporting a variety of police and fire incidents since its implementation
- They drones are also used for reconnaissance at the scene of an incident, ensuring officers and incident commanders can get a real picture of what they are dealing with

<https://democracy.durham.gov.uk/documents/s85462/150118-SS-CT-Item9-IRMP-App2.pdf>