



## POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

<b>DECISION 2015/27</b>	<b>Date: 10<sup>th</sup> August 2015</b>
<b>TITLE: COMMUNITY ACTION FUND APPLICATIONS</b>	
<b>REPORT BY: STEFF HULL</b>	

### **Executive Summary**

The Commissioner has established a Community Action Fund.

In 2014-15 the fund available was £50,000 with approved applications totalling £50,684, the additional funding being an under-spend from 2013-14.

As a result of increasing interest from community groups and organisations the Commissioner has increased the Community Action Fund in 2015-16 to £75,000 to maximise the impact of the Fund whilst ensuring that it is at a level that can be fully allocated.

Applications are invited from voluntary, community and faith (VCF) sector constituted organisations. The Fund is administered by LANPAC on behalf of the Commissioner.

LANPAC has received 14 applications in August 2015 which have been reviewed in line with the terms and conditions and criteria of the Fund as follows:

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| 1. Blackpool and Fylde Street Angels | - Recommended for approval     |
| 2. Dig in North West CIC             | - Recommended for approval     |
| 3. RELEASE into Victory              | - Recommended for approval     |
| 4. The Fylde Sports Trust            | - Recommended for approval     |
| 5. Volunteer Burnley                 | - Recommended for approval     |
| 6. Clayton Youth Centre              | - Recommended for approval     |
| 7. Reformed for Life                 | - Recommended for approval     |
| 8. St John Vianney Scout Group       | - Not recommended for approval |
| 9. 1439 Skelmersdale ATC             | - Not recommended for approval |
| 10. Ashton Gardens St Annes          | - Not recommended for approval |
| 11. BDS Training                     | - Not recommended for approval |
| 12. Bodies in Motion                 | - Not recommended for approval |
| 13. The Arts Partnership             | - Not recommended for approval |
| 14. The Shiva Trust                  | - Not recommended for approval |

These Applications have been reviewed to ensure that they are operating in areas where there are high incidents of ASB, Criminal Damage, etc. and that they support priorities identified by the Commissioner and the local Community Safety Partnerships.

**Recommendation**

The Grant Information indicated that, whilst the maximum grant is £2,500, the Commissioner would be looking for applications lower than this to enable the fund to be widely available as possible.

Where a lower grant than that applied for has been recommended, LANPAC will work with the applicant to ensure that the project will be able to continue and will provide support and advice in regard to other funding options.

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the level of funding for the Applications as outlined in Appendix A.

**The total amount of funding recommended is £13,582**

**Financial Implications**

The 2015-16 budget for the Community Action Fund is £75,000 of which £19,050 has already been approved and awarded to other projects and schemes. The **£13,582** funding for these applications will be met from the remaining £55,950 leaving an unspent balance in the Fund of £42,368

Signature *Clive Cusack*



Police and Crime Commissioner

Date *10th August 2015*

**PART I**

**1. Background and Advice**

All applications have been assessed against the Fund Criteria and if recommended for approval meet all the criteria

**2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan**

All applications recommended for approval support one or more of the priorities details in the Police and Crime Plan

**3. Consultation**

N/A

**4. Implications**

- a. Legal
- b. Financial
- c. Equality considerations

Financial – The applications recommended for approval can be funded from existing funds allocated to the Community Action Fund

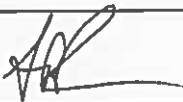

**5. Background Papers**

None

**6. Public access to information**

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.

Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC website within 3 working days of approval. Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate Part 2 form.

Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – None	
CONSULTATION – None	
<p><b>Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer)</b>            I have been informed 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 for Lancashire.</p> <p>Signature..........Date...12.8.2015...</p>	



LANCASHIRE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER

**APPLICATIONS FOR DECISION 2015/27 – August 2015**

The following Applications have been received by LANPAC on behalf of the Commissioner and fulfil the Terms and Conditions and Criteria laid out in the Grant Application Form.

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the level of grant funding as detailed for the following Applications:

<b>1. NAME:</b>	Blackpool and Fylde Street Angels		
<b>AREA:</b>	Blackpool	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,433	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,433 ROC Blackpool		
<b>Summary:</b>	Blackpool and Fylde Street Angels are working in partnership with ROC, a national charity that works for safer, kinder communities. ROC is holding a "ROC Blackpool 2 years on event" and Blackpool and Fylde Street Angles are launching a ROC Café Youth Project throughout.		
<b>Comments:</b>	Blackpool and Fylde Street Angles are working with Lancashire Constabulary to address local needs and ROC projects (including the café) are nationally recognised for reducing youth ASB and diverting young people into positive activities.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of <b>£2,433</b> is provided Blackpool and Fylde Street Angels for their Youth Café project.		

<b>2. NAME:</b>	Dig In North West CIC		
<b>AREA:</b>	Preston	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Protect vulnerable people
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,200	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Organisations own resources
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£1,500 Operation Mancave		
<b>Summary:</b>	Dig In offer peer support groups to military veterans where they can talk and participate in activities such as construction. Dig In wishes to purchase more materials to offer a wider variety of activities and also increase the attendance and group sessions.		
<b>Comments:</b>	Dig In also works with local primary schools to engage with pupils regarding their war experiences, for example creating a Great War trench with pupils.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of £1,200 is provided to towards cost of the project.		

<b>3. NAME:</b>	RELEASE into Victory		
<b>AREA:</b>	Preston	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Protect vulnerable people & Champion the rights of victims
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,500	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,500 Angel Gifts		
<b>Summary:</b>	RELEASE into victory provides confidential 1:1 informal, emotional support services for adults over the age 18 years who have experienced or been affected by Sexual Abuse. RELEASE into victory makes products which they sell in order to bring in money to run the 1:1 sessions. RELEASE into victory would like to purchase materials in order for them to continue creating products.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of £2,500 is provided to RELEASE into Victory.		

<b>4. NAME:</b>	The Fylde Sports Trust		
<b>AREA:</b>	Fylde/Blackpool	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB & Protect vulnerable people
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,400	<b>Match Funds:</b>	N-Compass
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,600 Fylde – Think with your feet programme		
<b>Summary:</b>	The Fylde Sports Trust wish to run a mentally stimulating 15 week football programme targeted at adults with mental health conditions (19+ years). The sessions will be held twice a week on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon.		
<b>Comments:</b>	The Fylde Sports Trust work closely with N-Compass who will help the Trust target individuals. We will also recommend that Fylde Sports Trust contact the Health and Wellbeing board for future funding.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of £2,400 is provided to towards cost of the project.		

<b>5. NAME:</b>	Volunteer Burnley		
<b>AREA:</b>	Pendle	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,540	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Burnley Leisure, Working with CSP – MATAC group
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,980 Active Streets – U14's		
<b>Summary:</b>	The active streets project will provide young people (under the age of 14 years) with a range of diversionary activities.		
<b>Comments:</b>	Volunteer Burnley is in close contact with their Community Safety Partnership to address the needs within their area.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of £1,540 is provided to towards cost of the project.		

<b>6. NAME:</b>	Clayton Youth Centre		
<b>AREA:</b>	Hyndburn	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB.
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,008.97	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Young people's Service
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£1008.97 Clayton wheeled sports maintenance project		
<b>Summary:</b>	Clayton Youth Centre run a number of activities at the Mercer Skate park which young people normally attend. However, it was noticed that young people stop attending as they didn't have the tools/practical skills to maintain their equipment. Therefore, young people would not attend if there bike for example, was broken. Clayton Youth Centre wishes to send one of their youth workers on a professionally recognised maintenance course which he will then hold sessions in the Clayton Youth Centre to help young people fix/maintain their equipment.		
<b>Comments:</b>	Young people would also gain accredited qualifications (AQA Awards) by attending the sessions at the work shop.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of £1,009 is provided to towards cost of the project.		

<b>7. NAME:</b>	Reformed for Life		
<b>AREA:</b>	Preston	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB & Protect vulnerable people
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,500	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Organisations own resources
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£4,750 RFL – Knife, Drugs and Youth Crime Prevention		
<b>Summary:</b>	Reformed for life want to provide workshops to vulnerable youngsters in order to educate them on the obvious and hidden dangers of violent, gun and gang crime. This is a 5 week programme which will include the educational youth workshops as well as 1:1 mentoring throughout.		
<b>Comments:</b>	This project supports their local CSP's priorities to help reduce Crime, Re-offending and ASB.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of £2,500 is provided to towards cost of the project.		

The Commissioner is asked to note the following Applications which have been received that do not match the Terms & Conditions or Criteria for the fund:

<b>A. NAME:</b>	St John Vianney Scout Group		
<b>AREA:</b>	Blackpool	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB & Protect vulnerable people.
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,800	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Organisations own resources
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£3,500 Minibus Fund		
<b>Details:</b>	The Scout Group wish to purchase a minibus to provide young people with transport to district, county and camping events.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner 2. That it is noted that the group did not submit their constitution or accounts.		

<b>B. NAME:</b>	1439 Skelmersdale ATC		
<b>AREA:</b>	Skelmersdale	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,750	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,750 1439 ATC Radio Project		
<b>Details:</b>	Skelmersdale ATC wants to provide young cadets with the chance to pass their radio operator exams and help young people through the Duke of Edinburgh award. Skelmersdale ATC wishes to make youngsters engage in positive activities which will help their future opportunities.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner 2. That it is noted that the group did not submit their constitution or accounts. 3. That it is noted the application does not match the criteria as applying for more than the £2,500 maximum.		

<b>C. NAME:</b>	Ashton Gardens St Annes		
<b>AREA:</b>	Fylde	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Unclear
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,800	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£1,800 Crown Green Bowling		
<b>Details:</b>	Ashton Gardens would like to purchase new equipment for the Bowling Club. They wish to engage younger and older people by training them how to bowl, helping them take part in positive activities.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner 2. That it is noted that the application does not support any of the Commissioner's Priorities. 3. That it is noted that the group did not submit their constitution or accounts.		

<b>D. NAME:</b>	BDS Training		
<b>AREA:</b>	Skelmersdale	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB & Protect vulnerable people
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,342.40	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£1,342.40 Work Hard – Dream Big!		
<b>Details:</b>	BDS Training is a centre who works closely with mainstream school children aged between 13-16 years. BDS Training target young people who are disengaged and disadvantaged with a variety of needs such as OCD, self-harmers, eating disorders etc. BDS Training wishes to take 12 students on a theatre trip to reward their hard work.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner</li> <li>2. That it is noted that BDS Training are a limited company and are therefore not eligible to apply to the Community Action Fund.</li> </ol>		

<b>E. NAME:</b>	Bodies in Motion		
<b>AREA:</b>	Burnley & Pendle	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, Re-offending and ASB
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,300	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Lancashire Sport
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£15,902 Sporting BODIES		
<b>Details:</b>	Bodies in Motion want to give young people a chance to take part in a two month fully funded membership at the Bodies in Motion gym and fitness facility. During this young people would take part in a positive citizenship qualification through the AQA.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner</li> <li>2. That it is noted to application does not match the CAF criteria as the total cost of the project exceeds £10k.</li> <li>3. That it is noted that the group did not submit their constitution or accounts.</li> </ol>		

<b>F. NAME:</b>	The Arts Partnership		
<b>AREA:</b>	Chorley	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Protect vulnerable people
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,190	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,190 MADD		
<b>Details:</b>	The Arts Partnership will work with young people through Music, Art, Dance and Drama and will work on performances to do with cyber bullying and LGBT crime, which are local issues for Chorley.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner</li> <li>2. That the organisation are not eligible to apply to the Community Action Fund as the partnership has more than £10k in unrestricted reserves.</li> </ol>		



<b>G. NAME:</b>	The Shiva Trust		
<b>AREA:</b>	Burnley	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Unclear
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,500	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Organisation owns resources
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£5,200 The Burnley Ekah Project		
<b>Details:</b>	The Shiva Trust wants to provide educational courses and workshops to vulnerable people through their Ramana Awareness Programme. Helping people to embark on the path to self-discovery.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner</li> <li>2. That it is noted that the application does not clearly support any of the Commissioner's Priorities.</li> <li>3. That the organisation are not eligible to apply to the Community Action Fund as the trust has more than £10k in unrestricted reserves.</li> </ol>		