



<b>DECISION : 2015/36</b>	<b>DATE: 7 SEPTEMBER 2015</b>
<b>TITLE: REQUEST FOR FUNDING – AFC FYLDE</b>	
<b>REPORT BY: LOUISE FAIRCLOUGH - CRIME, REOFFENDING AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE OFFICER</b>	

**Executive Summary:**

- Request for Funding from AFC Fylde for £20k to fund a Reducing Re-offending Programme. The programme aims to run for 12 months – 10 courses 70 participants and work from a referral from CRC. Bryan Ward, community Safety manager from Fylde CSP has secured £5k to support this initiative. This initiative will be for the Blackpool/Fylde area.
- Attendance on the course will negate the need for weekly meeting with case worker – yet if not engaging will be classed as breach and back to court.
- Individuals can be targeted before and during court process. Success is measured as attendance, securing employment and not re-offending.

**Recommendation:**  
The Commissioner is recommended to approve the proposed funding as outlined in the proposal below.

Signature *Clive Grunshaw*  
Police and Crime Commissioner  
Date *18th September 2015*

**PART I**

**Appendix A**

**1. Background and Advice**

The Commissioner has indicated his intention to work in partnership to support the delivery of his priorities and outcomes in particular in supporting ventures that aim to break the cycle of reoffending and under Early Action support individuals through the appropriate pathways.

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

The links to the Police and Crime Plan would be supported in the tackling crime and reducing reoffending initiatives. In addition there are also the protection of vulnerable people in assisting individuals who have found themselves in a spiral path of crime and addiction

**3. Consultation**

N/A

**4. Implications**

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

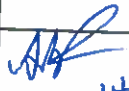
**5. Background Papers**

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 – £20k	 14/9/15
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION – As above	
<p><b>Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer)</b></p> <p>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.....</p>	

## 'Appendix B

AFC Fylde have requested funding support of £20k for a 12 month programme of 10 courses engaging with approx. 70 people to engage in a 5 week programme of 2 hour per day sessions equalling 10 hours per week – 50 hours in total. The course is accredited and individuals will work towards an AQA unit award scheme (Assessments and Qualifications Alliance)

The target audience is for adults who have taken part in low risk offences and the referrals can come from either the neighbourhood policing teams at West BCU who have considered an out of court disposal or from the CRC. If from the later there is a commitment on the individual's part to engage in the programme thereby negating the need for a weekly meeting with a case worker. All of this is dependent on full engagement and commitment to the sessions and break the pattern of reoffending or they will find themselves back through the court process.

**Week one** – introductions, ice breakers, learning styles and requirements and desired outcome of attendance. Individuals will be encouraged to compile Personal Development programmes and have inputs in respect of health and wellbeing, physical activity all forming the basis of the structured weeks to follow.

**Week two** – individuals will work with a tutor working towards the AQA in addition to lifestyle and budget management issues

**Week three** – individuals will work closely with community mentor on community integration programmes, managing money and banking, other associated community support services in addition to building confidence and engaging on community projects.

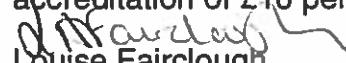
**Week four** – further confidence building and community projects together with reintegration into community services. Support for skills associated with healthy diet linked to budget management.

**Week five** – review the community projects involved in. CV building and job search skills and the opportunity to link up with local support services eg Job Centre Plus and Progress Housing. Encouragement to remain part of the Health and Wellbeing Team in respect of sporting activities.

The team supporting this programme are a mixture of paid staff and volunteers. Staff are qualified in that they are AQA trained, have conflict resolution training, NVQ level 3 or degree and ex public service experience. Current staff are 60:40 male/female. There is one full time co-ordinator and part time staff are used for 10 hours per week. In terms of group dynamic there will be a mixture of both group and one to one engagement and Tom Hutton, Co-ordinator of this programme has taken advice from the CRC in terms of appropriate group dynamics and whilst participants will be both male and female they will be in segregated groups for learning. Minimum age for eligibility on the scheme is 18 and there is no maximum limit.

It is the intention to start the programme at the end of September and there has been clear engagement on behalf of AFC Fylde with the CRC and other organisations linked to employment of ex offenders (Chance 2013). It is intended to conduct evaluation after 15 weeks (3 courses) and to set up steering groups for strategic monitoring and development.

Other non funding support is in the form of where the learning will take place 75% in the community and 25% in the community environment. Through the Lottery fund a room has been provided free of charge for 12 months in Lytham and Tangerine Holdings will fund the AQA accreditation of £10 per certificate (total of £700 if 70 participants).

  
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BY E-MAIL: [tomhutton@afcylde.co.uk](mailto:tomhutton@afcylde.co.uk)

Dear Tom

**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FUNDING AGREEMENT**  
**GRANT FUNDING: Fylde Community Rehabilitation and Integration Programme**  
**AMOUNT: £20,000**

I can now confirm that the Agreement for funding for the "Fylde Community Rehabilitation and Integration Programme" Project has been accepted.

Payment for this will be via grant funding paid to The AFC Fylde Community Foundation and payment should be received within the next 7 – 10 days.

Monitoring of this project will be via the agreed performance management framework as discussed and in line with the monitoring forms already provided.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

*Beverly A. Wood*

pp. **Louise Fairclough**  
**Crime, Reoffending and Criminal Justice Officer**



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