



## POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

<b>DECISION 2015/37</b>	<b>Date: 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015</b>																														
<b>TITLE: COMMUNITY ACTION FUND APPLICATIONS</b>																															
<b>REPORT BY: ROBERT RUSTON</b>																															
<b>Executive Summary</b> 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 11 applications in September 2015 which have been reviewed in line with the terms and conditions and criteria of the Fund as follows: <table border="0"><tr><td>1.</td><td>Rhyddings Park Neighbourhood Watch</td><td>- Recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>Blackpool Musical School</td><td>- Recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>3.</td><td>The Lancashire Council of Mosques</td><td>- Recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>4.</td><td>ACT at the Cheethams</td><td>- Not recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>5.</td><td>Pennine Lancashire Community Farm</td><td>- Not recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>6.</td><td>Canine Education and Training CIC</td><td>- Not recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>7.</td><td>Elysium @ GS</td><td>- Not recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>8.</td><td>Enough Abuse UK</td><td>- Not recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>9.</td><td>Tribal Project</td><td>- Not recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>10.</td><td>Rossendale One Community Conversation</td><td>- Not recommended for approval</td></tr></table> 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.		1.	Rhyddings Park Neighbourhood Watch	- Recommended for approval	2.	Blackpool Musical School	- Recommended for approval	3.	The Lancashire Council of Mosques	- Recommended for approval	4.	ACT at the Cheethams	- Not recommended for approval	5.	Pennine Lancashire Community Farm	- Not recommended for approval	6.	Canine Education and Training CIC	- Not recommended for approval	7.	Elysium @ GS	- Not recommended for approval	8.	Enough Abuse UK	- Not recommended for approval	9.	Tribal Project	- Not recommended for approval	10.	Rossendale One Community Conversation	- Not recommended for approval
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**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 £6,386**

**Financial Implications**

The 2015-16 budget for the Community Action Fund is £75,000 of which £32,632 has already been approved and awarded to other projects and schemes. The **£6,386** funding for these applications will be met from the remaining £42,368 leaving an unspent balance in the Fund of £35,982

Signature

*Clive Curshaw*

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date

*10th September 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	 14/9/15
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..... 14/9/2015</p>	





LANCASHIRE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER

**APPLICATIONS FOR DECISION 2015/37 – 10<sup>th</sup> September 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>	Rhyddings Park Neighbourhood Watch		
<b>AREA:</b>	Hyndburn	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, ASB and Re-offending & Protect vulnerable people
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,410	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Organisations own resources
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£1,768.80 RPNW – Upgrade of CCTV Equipment		
<b>Summary:</b>	Rhyddings Park Neighbourhood Watch was established over 10 years ago mainly to combat ASB. In their start-up they provisioned six mobile CCTV kits which have shown a huge reduction in ASB. RPNW would like to upgrade their CCTV equipment to allow the image quality to meet the levels needed to meet evidence requirements.		
<b>Comments:</b>	RPNW work closely with the Watch Liaison Officer for the Lancashire Police Eastern Division, Tony Ford. The upgrade of the CCTV equipment would also support here CSP priority for crime reduction.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner</li> <li>2. That a grant of <b>£1,410</b> is provided to Rhyddings Park Neighbourhood Watch for the upgrade of their CCTV equipment.</li> </ol>		





<b>2. NAME:</b>	Blackpool Musical School		
<b>AREA:</b>	Blackpool	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, ASB and Re-offending
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,476	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,476 Music Making a Difference		
<b>Summary:</b>	Blackpool Musical School wish to provide a choice of instrument lessons, studio time and DJ mixing to young people to give them a chance to channel their energies into something positive. Blackpool Musical School already have all the right equipment to progress this project, they just wish to hire professional tutors to conduct the sessions.		
<b>Comments:</b>	Blackpool Musical School work with the Princes Trust who help target vulnerable young people who are at risk of becoming offenders.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of <b>£2,476</b> is provided to towards cost of the project.		

<b>3. NAME:</b>	The Lancashire Council of Mosques		
<b>AREA:</b>	Blackburn	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Champion the rights of victims & Protect Vulnerable People
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,500	<b>Match Funds:</b>	LANPAC
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£4,000 The Muslim Hate Crime Line		
<b>Summary:</b>	The LCM wish to provide a Hate Crime Line to the BME and Muslim communities of Lancashire. The LCM is a trusted and well-known organisation and wishes to act as a third party reporting centre to help tackle hate crime.		
<b>Comments:</b>	Lancashire Constabulary and Lancashire County Council have been heavily involved with the creation of this project.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is supported by the Commissioner 2. That a grant of <b>£2,500</b> is provided to towards The Muslim Hate Crime Line 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>	ACT at the Cheethams		
<b>AREA:</b>	Blackburn	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime, ASB and Re-offending.
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,250	<b>Match Funds:</b>	BwD Council and Your Call Fund
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£4,574.95 Cheets not Streets 2015		
<b>Details:</b>	A range of volunteer led diversionary activities for children and young people on a Friday and Saturday night. There are also a number of supervised offsite activities that enable children and young people from more deprived and disadvantaged families to participate in a wider programme of pursuits.		
<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 fit the criteria as the organisation has more that £10k in unrestricted funds.		



<b>B. NAME:</b>	Pennine Lancashire Community Farm		
<b>AREA:</b>	Burnley	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Tackle Crime and ASB
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,279	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,279 Chilli Club Project		
<b>Details:</b>	The Pennine Lancashire Community Farm wish to purchase security equipment for the March Street Community Garden and wish to hold two community celebration/information sharing days, which will also provide a range of activities to children/young people.		
<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 fit the criteria as the organisation has more than £10k in unrestricted funds.		

<b>C. NAME:</b>	Canine Education & Training CIC		
<b>AREA:</b>	Preston	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Unclear
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£1,650	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Cllr grant allocation fund
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,150 Living Safely with Dogs		
<b>Details:</b>	The Canine Education and Training CIC wish to provide an interactive programme in schools to educate children how to live safely with dogs.		
<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 clearly support any of the Commissioner's Priorities. 3. That the Canine Education & Training CIC contact the Clinical Commissioning Group and the Children's Safeguarding Board regarding this project.		

<b>D. NAME:</b>	Elysium @ GS		
<b>AREA:</b>	Blackburn	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Protect Vulnerable People
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£3,250	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£3,250 Friday Friends		
<b>Details:</b>	Elysium provides a support group for people with dementia which offers activities, support and advice. Elysium wishes to provide support to a higher volume of people and would like support towards the running costs of the group.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner 2. That it is noted that the organisation does not match the grant criteria as they ask for more than £2.5k and have not submitted their constitution or accounts.		

<b>E. NAME:</b>	Enough Abuse UK		
<b>AREA:</b>	Blackburn with Darwen	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Protect Vulnerable People
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,250	<b>Match Funds:</b>	None
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,250 Friend or Foe – Would you know		
<b>Details:</b>	Enough Abuse UK would like to deliver training to parents, carers and professionals to protect children from sexual abuse before it happens by making individuals aware of perpetrator behaviour.		
<b>Recommendation:</b>	1. That this application is <b>NOT</b> supported by the Commissioner 2. That it is noted that the organisation have not submitted their constitution or accounts.		



<b>F. NAME:</b>	Tribal Project		
<b>AREA:</b>	Preston	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Protect Vulnerable People
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,500	<b>Match Funds:</b>	NHS & Lancashire County Council
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£30,000 p/a Tribal Project		
<b>Details:</b>	Tribal Project is a creative media charity who works with vulnerable people to reduce relapse back into addiction. They wish to provide creative media workshops involving dance, film, drama, art and photography to people in recovery from substance misuse and mental health issues.		
<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 match the grant criteria as the total cost of the project is over £10k.</li> <li>3. That it is noted that the organisation have not submitted their constitution or accounts.</li> </ol>		

<b>G. NAME:</b>	Rossendale One Community in Conversation (ROCiC)		
<b>AREA:</b>	Rossendale	<b>PRIORITY:</b>	Unclear
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	£2,100	<b>Match Funds:</b>	Tackle Crime, ASB and Re-offending
<b>Project Name &amp; Cost</b>	£2,100 Positive Start		
<b>Details:</b>	Rossendale One Community in Conversation wants to engage with young people from the Muslim community in Rossendale. This project aims to empower Muslims helping them to understand the time peaceful and tolerant message of Islam. The project also includes day trips out for the young people.		
<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 it is noted that the organisation have not submitted their constitution or accounts.</li> </ol>		

