



POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

DECISION 2019 - 2	DATE: 1 April 2019
TITLE: DRUG ALERT SCHEME	
REPORT BY: LOUISE FAIRCLOUGH	

Executive Summary

The Commissioner's revenue budget for 2019/20 includes an allocation of funding in respect of priority 2 – Tackling Crime and Reducing Reoffending.

Following an initial advisory group including Public Health England report advising on the concept of a local drug alert scheme (LDIS) which supports implementation of such a scheme involving the joint working of local authorities (LCC, BWD and Blackpool) to provide a high level co-ordinated response to drug information as well as providing useful intelligence.

It is requested the Commissioner contributes £2500k towards the next phase of this scheme with the remaining £2500k to be split by the local authorities

This funding would enable the original outcome of the advisory group to take this work to the next level to implement and establish the LDIS a multi agency, systematic approach to accurate drug alerts/early warnings.

Recommendations

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the proposed use of the Reducing Reoffending Fund as outlined in Appendix A.

Signature *Clive Grunshaw*

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date *10th April 2019*

PART I

1. Background and Advice

In January 2016 an advisory group working with Public Health England produced a report entitled 'Drug Alerts and local drug information systems' and supporting a Local Drug Information System (LDIS). An agreed LDIS uses consistent and efficient processes for sharing and assessing information and issues warning where needed which rapidly reaches the right people. It is recognised that this scheme and multi agency approach to support those at risk of harm from drug and substance misuse in addition to policing the intelligence that is available from this knowledge.

To fully implement the LDIS and take the scheme from the initial exploratory stage it is now intended to commission the next step which is to implement and establish the Lancashire LDIS as a working multi-agency systematic approach to accurate drug alerts/early warnings.

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

This application links directly to Priority 2 – Tackling Crime & Reoffending and Priority 3 - Protecting Victims and Vulnerable and Priority 4 – Developing Safe and Confident Communities

3. Consultation

N/A

4. Implications

a. Legal

None to consider.

b. Financial

Contained in the report above.

c. Equality considerations

Equality data is currently gathered on all applications.

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 – As above	
CONSULTATION – As above	
<p>Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer) 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.....10.4.2019.</p>	

