



## POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

DECISION: 2019/30	DATE: 15 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019
TITLE: STREET PASTORS, STREET ANGELS AND SIMILAR ORGANISATIONS	
REPORT BY: STEFF HULL	

### Executive Summary

The Commissioner allocated £25,000 to support the work of street pastors, street angels and similar organisations from the Community Safety and Partnership Fund.

The Commissioner launched a grant opportunity for street pastors, street angels and similar organisations which was published on the Commissioner's website with a deadline for applications to be submitted by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.

This Decision seeks to confirm the allocation of £25,000 from the Community Safety and Partnership Fund to the five organisations outlined in Appendix A.

### Recommendations

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the proposed use of the Community Safety and Partnership Fund as follows:

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| 1. Blackpool & The Fylde Street Angels   | - £7,000  |
| 2. Chorley Street Pastors                | - £4,000  |
| 3. Lancaster Street Pastors              | - £2,000  |
| 4. Ormskirk Street Pastors               | - £2,000  |
| 5. Preston & South Ribble Street Pastors | - £10,000 |

as outlined in Appendix A.

Signature

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date

26<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

## PART I

### 1. Background and Advice

The Commissioner allocated £25,000 to support the work of street pastors, street angels and similar organisations from the Community Safety and Partnership Fund.

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

The schemes / initiatives outlined in Appendix A support all four of the priorities outlined in the Police and Crime Plan:

- Protecting local policing
- Tackling crime and reoffending
- Supporting victims and vulnerable people
- 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

None to consider.


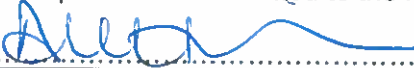
### 5. Background Papers

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	
<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.	
Signature. 	Date. 26.11.2019.



## Decision 2019/30 Appendix A

Street pastors are trained volunteers who usually patrol the streets of their community on a Friday and Saturday night to care, listen and offer assistance to those most vulnerable.

The Commissioner has previously supported the work of Preston & South Ribble Street Pastors, Chorley Street Pastors, Lancaster Street Pastors, Ormskirk Street Pastors and Blackpool & Fylde Street Angels.

For 2019-20 the Commissioner has allocated £25,000 for the work of street pastors, street angels and similar organisations.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner received six applications totalling £33,500. After reviewing all the applications received and agreeing that five out of the six submissions meet the grant criteria and the Commissioner's priorities it was decided that to remain within the allocated £25,000 and to maximise the impact of the fund, the funding should be distributed as follows:

### RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

#### 1. BLACKPOOL & THE FYLDE STREET ANGELS

Blackpool and Fylde Street Angels requested £9,000 to raise awareness of Street Angels and purchase resources such as First Aid supplies, drinks and flip flops. Funding will also support the administrative costs which enable the group to continue functioning.

**Proposal:**

That the Commissioner allocates **£7,000** to Blackpool and Fylde Street Angels.

#### 2. CHORLEY STREET PASTORS

Chorley Street Pastors requested £5,000 to purchase resources such as First Aid supplies, drinks and blankets to help vulnerable people during the night time economy. Funding will also contribute towards the part-time co-ordinator post.

**Proposal:**

That the Commissioner grants **£4,000** to Chorley Street Pastors.

#### 3. LANCASTER STREET PASTORS

Lancaster Street Pastors patrol the streets on a Saturday evening helping those who may find themselves in danger due to misuse of alcohol. The initiative costs around £4,000 per year, outgoings include uniform expenses, training, resources and the co-ordinators wage.

**Proposal:**

That the Commissioner awards **£2,000** to Lancaster Street Pastors.

#### **4. ORMSKIRK STREET PASTORS**

Ormskirk Street Pastors requested £3,000 to contribute towards the running costs of the scheme. Ormskirk Street Pastors patrol the streets on the busiest nights, usually Wednesdays (student night), Fridays and Saturdays offering advice and support to vulnerable people within the night time economy. Ormskirk Street Pastors also work closely with schools and colleges and have developed a new School and College Pastor role, a friendly presence who young people can talk to in confidence. Funding will contribute towards uniforms and training.

**Proposal:**

That the Commissioner awards **£2,000** to Ormskirk Street Pastors.

#### **5. PRESTON & SOUTH RIBBLE STREET PASTORS**

Preston and South Ribble Street Pastors requested £12,000 to support their on-going work. The funding will be used to support the full-time co-ordinator of Preston and South Ribble Street Pastors and training and resources for the Street Pastors to use such as drinks, flip flops etc.

Preston and South Ribble Street Pastors are the largest group in Lancashire, they offer training sessions to other Street Pastor groups. This is a vital piece of training and is essential to all street pastors who are required to complete the training before patrolling the streets.

**Proposal:**

That the Commissioner awards **£10,000** to Preston and South Ribble Street Pastors.

#### **NOT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:**

##### **a. TACTICAL STREET ANGELS OF LANCASTER**

An application for £500 was received from the Tactical Street Angels of Lancaster. The Tactical Street Angels of Lancaster is not a formal group or organisation and the Commissioner is unable to provide public funding to individuals.

The schemes recommended for approval clearly meet all four of the Commissioner's priorities outlined in the Police and Crime Plan 2016-2021. Street Pastors and Street Angels are trained volunteers who work closely with local policing teams to address antisocial behaviour, offer support and advice to vulnerable people whilst acting as a safe, visible presence within the night time economy.